Ukrainian forces to besiege rebel-held cities

Ukrainian government forces are planning to besiege the rebel-held cities of Donetsk and Luhansk after forcing pro-Russian insurgents to withdraw from a key stronghold in eastern Ukraine

RUSSIA

Kiev

UKRAINE

Detail area

Crimea Annexed by Russia

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RUSSIA

50km
30 miles

Krasnyi Lyman

LUHANSK REGION

Druzhkivka

Kramatorsk

Kostiantynivka

Artemivsk

Luhansk

Krasnoarmiisk

Horlivka

Krasnyi Luch

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DONETSK REGION

Snizhne

Makiivka

Yenakiyevo

Mariupol

Rostov-on-Don

Sea of Azov

◎ Controlled by separatists

◉ Recaptured by Ukrainian government

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