



Offensive along Ukraine's strategic coastline

Russian-backed separatists are pushing west in a bid to create a land link between Russia and Crimea along Ukraine's southern coast

Aug 25, Dzerkaike: 10 Russian paratroopers seized

Aug 27, Amvrosiivka: Russian soldiers enter town in armoured infantry carriers

Aug 28, Novoazovsk: Separatists take coastal town and threaten strategic port city of Mariupol

 *Controlled by separatists*
 *Abandoned by separatists*

