

# Fighting intensifies in eastern Ukraine

Renewed fighting between pro-Russian rebels and government forces around the town of Avdiivka is raising fears of full-scale war returning to eastern Ukraine after a relative lull in the almost three-year-old conflict



**Avdiivka:** Upsurge in fighting has reportedly claimed at least 25 lives since January 29. Shelling has left more than 20,000 residents without heating or water in harsh winter weather, with authorities scrambling to provide relief