



Ukraine invasion – day 53



1 Kyiv: Russia claims to have destroyed armoured vehicle plant in air strike. Military repair facility in Mykolaiv also hit

2 Russia: Military rotation of troops in Syria postponed. Deployment of 68th Army Corps from Far East— one of last units not to have already fought in Ukraine – sent to Donbas

3 Popasna: Small tactical Russian assaults, shelling of Rubizhne and Severodonetsk continues

4 Avdiivka: Russian artillery strikes, possibly in preparation for ground offensive to complement drive from Izyum towards Slovyansk

5 Mariupol: 03:00 GMT deadline for surrender of around 2,500 Ukrainian soldiers still at Azovstal Steel Plant passes without response. Naval landing believed to be imminent

6 Odesa: Russia claims to have brought down Ukrainian plane carrying western arms shipment