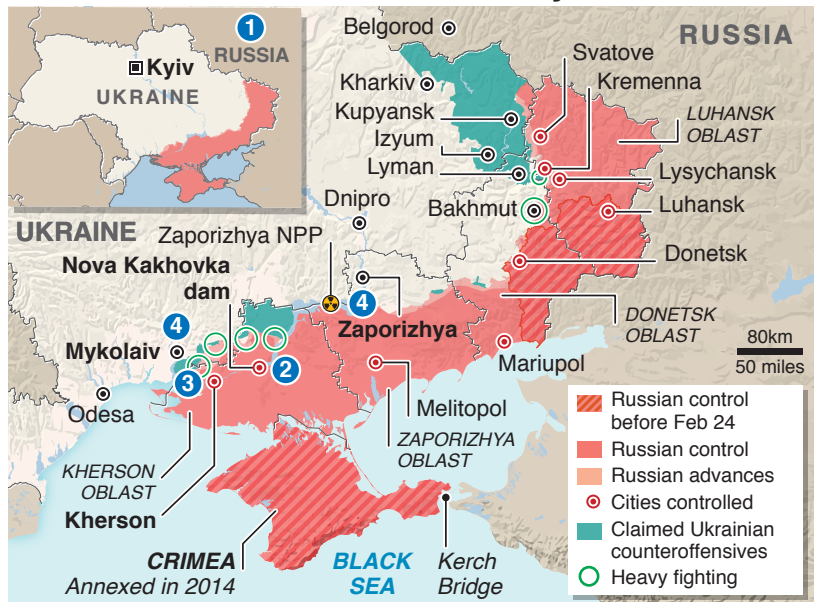


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**1 Russia:** Defence Minister **Sergei Shoigu** claims Ukraine is preparing a radioactive dirty bomb attack on its own territory. Kyiv and West dismiss “transparently false” claim

**2 Kakhovka dam:** Both sides accuse each other of planning to destroy dam, flooding south Ukraine

**3 Kherson:** Russian authorities say 25,000 civilians have already left city ahead of expected Ukrainian counteroffensive

**4 Zaporizhzhia, Mykolaiv:** Russian strikes with Shahed-136 drones and S-300 missiles. UK reports up to 85% of drones intercepted