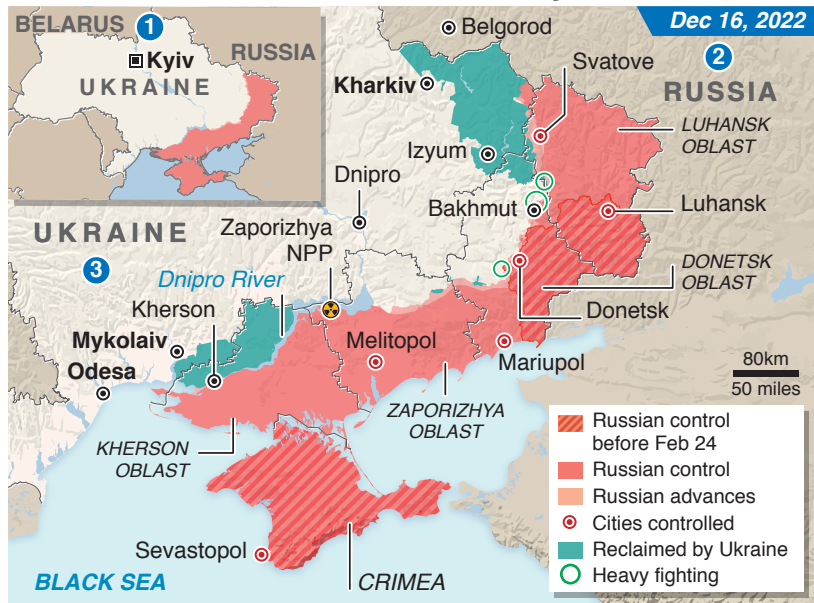


Ukraine invasion – day 296

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1 Belarus: *Vladimir Putin* visits Belarusian capital, Minsk as military hold “readiness exercises” and Russian reservists deploy to region

2 Russia: Major offensive expected in February, with around half of recent 300,000-strong mobilisation being trained for possible attack on Kyiv

3 Ukraine: About 60 Russian missiles launched, hitting energy infrastructure in **Kyiv, Kharkiv, Odesa** and other cities, causing power outages nationwide

Blackouts are crippling economy; another \$2bn needed on top of \$55bn already projected for next year