

Ukraine invasion – day 299

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1 Belarus: Russian troops stationed in Belarus conduct battalion tactical exercises, amid Ukrainian fears of new front opening in north

2 Kyiv: Air defences shoot down 30 of 35 Iranian-made Shahed drones launched from east coast of Sea of Azov overnight

3 Bakhmut: Russia claims to have captured **Yakovlivka**, but lost other long-held positions to Ukraine

4 Huliiaipole: Recent artillery exchanges suggest Ukrainian forces massing. Russia setting anti-tank defences in **Melitopol** in response to expected counteroffensive