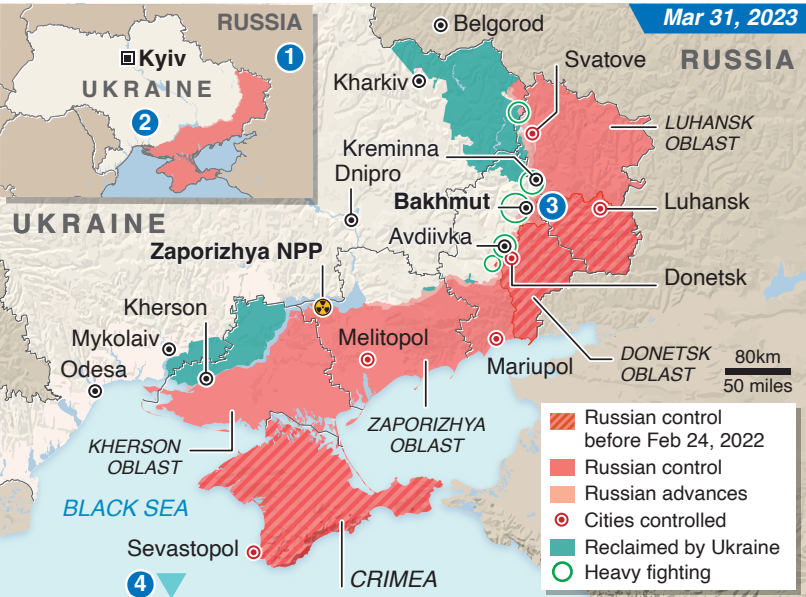


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1 Russia: Takes over monthly presidency of UN Security Council, last held in Feb 2022 at start of Ukraine war. Permanent members U.S., UK and France likely to downgrade representation

Spring conscription begins April 1, calling up around 147,000 Russians

FSB arrests **Wall Street Journal** correspondent **Evan Gershkovich** at Yekaterinburg military-industrial site

2 Ukraine: Anniversary of liberation of Bucha and discovery of Russian massacre of civilians

3 Bakhmut: Russian offensive constrained by loss of manpower, with Wagner Group alone estimated to have suffered 30,000 casualties and 9,000 dead, mostly convicts

4 Turkey: Parliament clears way for Finland to join NATO, extending Russian border with bloc by 1,300km