

# Chinese troops captured in Ukraine

Ukrainian forces have captured two Chinese nationals fighting for Russia in eastern Ukraine, President Volodymyr Zelensky has said



■ **Apr 8:** Zelensky (above) says Ukrainian forces clashed with six Chinese soldiers and took two prisoner in Donetsk region. He claims there are “many more” among Russia’s ranks



■ **Apr 9:** China’s foreign ministry says accusation that more Chinese citizens are involved is “groundless”. Statement appears to indicate that if Chinese citizens had been captured, they would have been operating in private capacity

■ French newspaper **Le Monde** has identified around 40 accounts on China’s **Douyin** social media app belonging to Chinese individuals who claim to have signed up with Russian army



*Ukraine says soldiers were captured with identification cards, including bank cards with personal data*