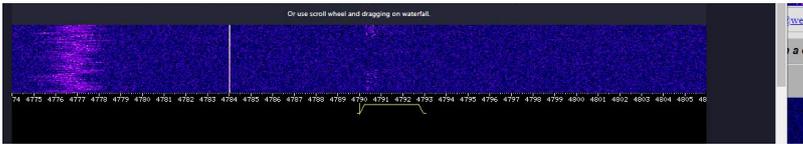




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Intelligence acquired since the beginning of the Russian military operation over Ukraine has shown an immense lack of logistic support, making this war one of the most unique in 2022 when it comes to surveillance.

A thread ■■ <https://t.co/huLD8IEDX>



For the 1st time in a modern conflict, the regular forces of Russia are communicating without digital mode, making them fully audible by everyone.

A story documented by Nicholas Laidlaw (<https://t.co/zPyhfSbEQW>) might explain that the cause would be bad logistic preparation. <https://t.co/eitSovjuN7>

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"So no one wants to fight. It's the truth. About half the forces had no idea what they were doing. They were supposed to go to a training site like JRTC. On the way to the site phones were confiscated and live ammo was passed out (that's relatively normal for large training exercises) A few hours later they are suddenly getting shot at and pretty much are just defending themselves (as invaders, I know how that seems ridiculous)

Really, only the officers know what's going on in most regular units. And the officers started stationing themselves further and further away from the fight as the days go by, to the point where they are out of radio range at this point, and no one can contact them.

The exception to this was some paratrooper and special forces units. Some VDV companies were briefed on airfields they were going to seize, but even then only a couple were. Even spetsnaz was kept out of the loop. It seems like somewhere in between Putin and his generals, there was a miscommunication or a lie. All of the supply vehicles are still outside of Ukraine, and the ones that went with the troops into Ukraine have already been destroyed or exhausted.

The spetsnaz teams were told it was a three day excursion, now anyone who is surviving has to commit war crimes by literally raiding petrol stations and food stores of civilians. A lot of regular soldiers refuse to fight and are just abandoning equipment and vehicles, and walking away.

Most of the ones you see fighting now are those who have a hard charger officer.

Almost no one can get a hold of central command, it's not even a matter of jamming, there's just no long range commo quipment or relays that went with the troops there.

- Former Russian Soldier. Invasion of Ukraine. February 27th, 2022.

This story was documented by @nicklaidthelaw Every witness to war has a story, and every story deserves to be told.

A story being confirmed not only by PoW testimony but also by material captured by the Ukrainian army after clashes with the Russian army, such as in this tweet, showing a civilian Baofeng which was used by the Russian infantry.

<https://t.co/kjg1RapEwg>

Following the lack of security on their communications, we have been closely cooperating with radio amateurs & translators, across the globe, to document and gather intelligence.

Russian units on ground were then tracked, such as Buran-30, which we can hear planning an artillery attack on a civilian location.

We can also hear jammers trying to interrupt Russian communications and disrupt their coordination capabilities.

<https://t.co/MndY58Zvu1>

Using publicly available web radio receiveir (webSDR), callsigns of Russian military units and roles were discovered. Reports of losses, injuries, ... everything can be heard. Even them swearing at their own crew, such as in this recording.

<https://t.co/pJbPR5thR0>

During a fight West of Kiev, we learned that there was an FOB in Nalivaykovka - to which Yug95 was sent to bring the 200 (KIA) and 300 (Injured).

<https://t.co/gyz2na6B9X>

We also heard them cry during a fight near Kharkhiv, as heard in this recording. But also had fuel issues, trouble coordinating because lack of maps, ... While also requesting air support or talking about Iskander strikes.

<https://t.co/ouOWie1t1G>

Every conversations have displayed a disturbing lack of coordination between units, sometimes even firing at each other. But also, in addition to the simple fact that they are equipped with analogic radios, a lack of logisitical support.

Because unsecured communications, the frequencies have been constantly jammed by civilians, sometimes in the middle of fights, making the ground infantry unable to operate properly and having to withdraw.

An entire community created itself around those communications, currently scanning and recording anything of interest, including ShadowBreak. Creating hours of intense Russian army chatter recordings, each demonstrating an army unprepared for such situation.

We will soon make as much raw recordings as possible freely available for journalists and translators, with the hope of shining lights on a historical situation where a regular army is being tracked by thousand of individuals.