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## Fighting to the Last Ukrainian

## Ukraine has lost almost half a million troops

https://www.rt.com/russia/596458-ukraine-lost-almost-half-million-troops-shoigu/

And it looks like US/UK/EU "aid" packages will cost Ukraine another half-million soldiers. https://www.rt.com/news/596436-uk-largest-ever-military-aid-ukraine/

The UK PM justifies the destruction of Ukraine with this mindless reason: "Defending Ukraine against Russia's brutal ambitions is vital for our security and for all of Europe. If Putin is allowed to succeed in this war of aggression, he will not stop at the Polish border."

Why is the UK PM lying through his teeth? Or is it possible that he really is completely stupid? No intelligence agency anywhere has provided a scrap of evidence that Russia has an expansionist policy toward Europe. Moreover, as the Russian government has repeatedly made clear by words and deeds, there is no Russian invasion of Ukraine. There is a limited military operation to clear Ukrainian forces out of the Russian populated territories that seceded from Ukraine after the US coup that overthrew the Ukrainian government and installed an anti-Russian government that persecuted Ukraine's Russian population. Everyone knows this, but the West pretends it is an invasion.

It is the US, UK, and EU that are turning a limited operation into a general war. Putin did not realize that this would be the consequence of his limited operation. Putin misjudged the West and blundered. He should have knocked out Ukraine immediately and got it over before the West had time to intervene.

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So, who is destroying Ukraine? Russia or the West?

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