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Oh, you know why*

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'Western' media are nothing but Zelenski regime megaphones.

Liveuamap @Liveuamap - [21:30 UTC · May 16, 2022](#)

Zelensky confirms Azovstal troops **evacuation**: «Ukraine needs Ukrainian heroes alive. This has been our principle»

<https://liveuamap.com/en/2022/16-may...> via @myroslavapetsa

The New York Times @nytimes - [22:59 UTC · May 16, 2022](#)

Breaking News: Ukraine ended its “combat mission” in Mariupol and said fighters were being **evacuated**, signaling that the battle at a steel plant was over.

[link](#)

CNN International @cnni - [23:39 UTC · May 16, 2022](#)

Ukrainian forces say they have ended their "combat mission" in besieged Mariupol, as hundreds are **evacuated** from the Azovstal steel plant. <https://cnn.it/3FQALcV>

Reuters @Reuters - [3:35 AM · May 17, 2022](#)

Ukraine's military said it was working to **evacuate** all remaining troops from their last stronghold in the besieged port of Mariupol, ceding control of the city to Russia after months of bombardment <https://reut.rs/3wlybUG>

From the false headline down the *Washington Post* report on the issue is a master piece of propaganda:

[Ukraine ends bloody battle for Mariupol, evacuates Azovstal fighters](#)

Ukrainian fighters have ended their weeks-long defense of a besieged steel plant in the strategic port city of Mariupol, as hundreds of combatants — dozens of them seriously wounded — were **evacuated** from the complex Monday.

One has to read beyond 323 words of falsehood to find out, down in paragraph 7, what really has happened.

Moscow hasn't yet publicly responded to the developments in Mariupol, which were described by Russian state media as **an order from Ukrainian military command for its troops to "surrender."**

Ukraine's deputy defense minister, Anna Malyar, said 53 seriously wounded soldiers were taken to a hospital in Novoazovsk, a nearby town **which is controlled by Russian-backed separatists**. Another 211 were transported to **another Russian-aligned village**, Olenivka, she said. Moscow and Kyiv are brokering a prisoner swap to secure their release.

Malyar said officials were still working to **rescue** the remaining soldiers, though it is unclear how many are still inside. Ukrainian authorities said last week there were nearly 1,000 holdout fighters in the plant.

The f***ers finally gave up and surrendered unconditionally to the Russian forces as their only alternative was to deace within the next hours or days.

I am sure that the Russian authorities will apply a fine filter to determine who of those prisoners of war are allegeable for war crime prosecutions, de-nazification and a long stay in some north Siberian road builder camp.

There are also rumors of NATO personnel presence in the Azovstal catacombs. They will likely get to know the cellars of the famous Lubyanka building in Moscow before being exchanged in this or that deal with their home countries.

The rest will eventually be exchanged for Russian soldiers who are unfortunately held by the Ukrainian military.

Posted by b on May 17, 2022 at 9:18 UTC | [Permalink](#)

Comments

"The Cry was No Evacuation" doesn't really ring, does it?

Posted by: Merkin Scot | May 17 2022 9:24 utc | [1](#)

A post at Defence Politics Asia YouTube channel reports the following process is being utilized"

The thing to remember about ANY/EVERY single person who leaves Azovstal previously, presently or in the future is this:

1. The Russians are not stupid or sloppy.
2. First they are taken under guard to a processing place. Wounded are under guard during treatment until fit for normal processing.
3. They are scrupulously checked for real identity by their papers and every civil database the Russians have access to. Local Mariupol LDPR investigators are also there to use their local knowledge to verify all claims of civilian neutrality.
4. They are stripped to look for any fascist sympathetic tattoos, men and women alike, it has been reported by one woman evacuee.
5. They are FINGERPRINTED AND PHOTOGRAPHED and their future intended residential address documented as they may be called as witnesses to war crimes in future criminal trials. The LDPR and Russians are fkn serious about legal retributions for the 8 year war and about making sure that not a single nazi sympathiser ever gets back into social circulation.
6. They are interrogated about all personal matters and all knowledge about what is going in inside Azovstal. Obviously, anyone NOT completely forthcoming is held for future interrogation.
7. Only after all the above tests, they are sorted into: