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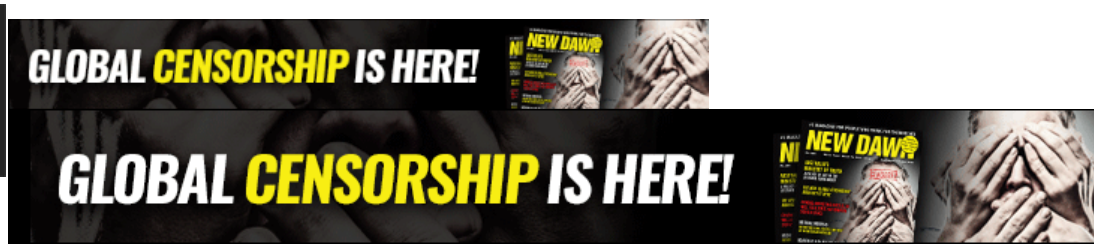
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NYT Admits Zelensky Lied About Alleged 'Russian Missile Strike' on Donbas Market

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Normally for the western mainstream media, once they adopt a propaganda line on behalf of the Pentagon and NATO, they will rarely chance course and admit the truth, even when the evidence is squarely presented. To do so would betray 'the war effort.' However, this happened this week, as the New York Times issued an unusual about-face, now saying that it was Ukraine – and not Russia – who was behind the deadly missile strike which destroyed a market in Donbas on September 6, 2023.

Oddly, this rare admission comes just as President Zelensky is visiting the US to lobby for more cash and weapons at the UN and White House.

Could this be a warning shot to Kiev that the US establishment may be repositioning themselves in what has been a disastrous proxy war against Russia in Ukraine?

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The New York Times has issued a surprise about-face regarding the September 6 deadly missile strike on the center of the Ukrainian city of Kostiantynivka, which is in Donetsk Oblast.

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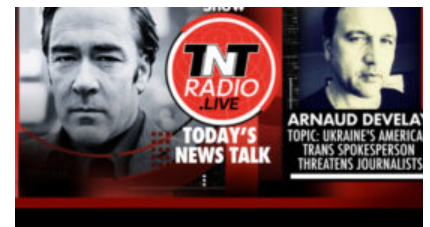
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Initially it was universally reported among all major international press that it was a Russian attack which killed at least 15 civilians and injured 30 more. It was among the single deadliest strikes on a civilian area since the start of the war, given a busy market had been directly impacted.

The fresh Tuesday [Times report](#) underscores that less than two hours after the market was struck, "President Volodymyr Zelensky [blamed](#) Russian 'terrorists' for the attack, [and many media outlets followed suit.](#)" The NY Times was at the time among those major outlets which uncritically went with Zelensky's version of events.



IMAGE: Donbas market hit by missile on Sept. 6, 2023 (Source: Twitter/X)

But the missile **came from the Ukrainian side**, with the NY Times' investigators finding that it was **a Ukrainian surface-to-air missile that hit the busy civilian area** and killed and wounded scores.

One of the key videos which the NYT analyzed to reach this conclusion was actually provided by Zelensky's office, ironically enough.

According to the *New York Times* report, "evidence collected and analyzed by The New York Times, including missile fragments, satellite imagery, witness accounts and social media posts, **strongly suggests the catastrophic strike was the result of an errant Ukrainian air defense missile fired by a Buk launch system.**"

"Further evidence reveals that minutes before the strike, the Ukrainian military launched two surface-to-air missiles toward the Russian front line from the town of Druzhkivka, 10 miles northwest of Kostiantynivka," the report continues.

The newspaper's own correspondents were actually in Druzhkivka and reported hearing the outgoing missile launches which started at 2pm, and one journalist even record the sounds.

In contrast to Kiev's claims that it was a Russian missile launched by an S-300 system, the *Times* details [the following](#):

In the aftermath of the attack, Ukrainian authorities said Russian forces used a missile fired by an S-300 air defense system, which Russia has used both to intercept aircraft and strike targets on the ground. But an S-300 missile carries a different warhead from the one that exploded in Kostiantynivka.

The metal facades of buildings closest to the explosion were perforated with hundreds of square or rectangular holes, probably made by cube-like objects blown outward



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from the missile.

*Measurements of the holes — and fragments found at the scene — are **consistent in size and shape with one weapon in particular: the 9M38 missile, which is fired by the mobile Buk antiaircraft vehicle.** Ukraine is known to use the Buk system, as is Russia.*

The investigative analysis also makes heavy use of open source intelligence, including photos and videos of the projectiles flying over the area, and the aftermath of the deadly strike.

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Was it a tragic mishap when all Western media blamed Russia?

"The attack appears to have been a tragic mishap."

The timing of the unusual NYT piece laying blame on the Ukrainian side is interesting, given it coincides with President Zelensky being in the US where he addressed the UN General Assembly and is later expected at the White House.

Ukrainian officials and pro-Kiev pundits are outraged at the NY Times' reporting, and have rejected the conclusion reached. Here's one somewhat comical case in point of the NYT authors themselves being attacked for the findings...

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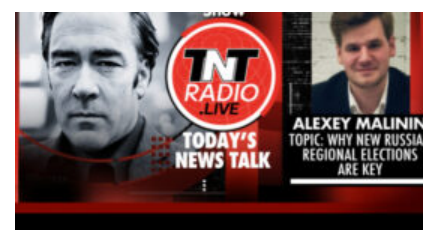
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