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Russian Generals Killed in Ukraine With Help of U.S. Intelligence – NYT

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Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin, left, and General Mark Milley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrive to testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee on the Department of Defense budget request, on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, May 3, 2022. **AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite/TASS**

U.S. intelligence has helped Ukraine kill some of the 12 Russian generals who died on the frontlines of the Russia-Ukraine war, The New York Times reported late Wednesday.

Real-time U.S. battlefield intelligence reportedly included locations of the Russian military's mobile headquarters and anticipated troop movements, according to unnamed U.S. officials.

The officials cited by the newspaper declined to say how many Russian generals have been killed with the help of U.S. intelligence or how they acquired information on the location on top-ranking Russian officers.

U.S. intelligence agencies are known to use classified and commercial satellites to monitor Russian troop movements.

American intelligence was reportedly not used in a strike over the weekend on a location in eastern Ukraine visited by Russia's highest ranking military officer, Valery Gerasimov.

The Kremlin has regularly claimed that Russia is in a proxy war with the U.S.-led west.

The Biden administration changed a classified directive last month that lifted geographic limits on actionable information on potential targets in Ukraine, the Wall Street Journal and the Associated Press reported.

"We have opened up the pipes," Gen. Mark A. Milley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told a U.S. Senate panel Tuesday.

Publicly available data analyzed by independent Russian media suggests at least 317 Russian officers have been killed in Ukraine.

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