



## Russia's Armed Aggression against Ukraine

### Further evidence of GRU military's participation in military operations on the territory of Ukraine

On May 16, 2015 military clashes with GRU Spetsnaz Units in the area of Luhansk thermal station near the settlement of Schastya

On May 17, 2015 Main Investigation Department of the SSU launched criminal proceeding N22015000000000142 under Article 258-3 of the Criminal Code of Ukraine

On May 18, 2015 detained soldiers of Russia's GRU were accommodated in the military hospital of Ministry of Defense of Ukraine. In order to save the damaged limbs, Ukrainian doctors conducted a series of complex operations. Health status of the detainees is currently satisfactory.

3rd Guards Separate 'Warsaw-Berlin Red Banner Order of  
Suvorov 3rd degree' Spetsnaz Brigade



Commander of  
Brigade, Colonel  
Sergey SHCHEPIN



Military unit №21208, 2a Voroshilov  
St., Samara region, Tolyatti,  
Avtozavodskiy district

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade's participation in armed conflicts

\* **Tajikistan**

From September 28, 1992 to November 24, 1992

\* **First Chechen War**

January 17, 1995 to May 31, 1995

\* **Kosovo**

From July 1999 to October 2001

\* **Second Chechen War**

From April 2002 to January 2007

\* **Afghanistan**

from 21 July 2001 to November 2004

(protection of diplomatic mission in  
Kabul)

\* **Ukraine**

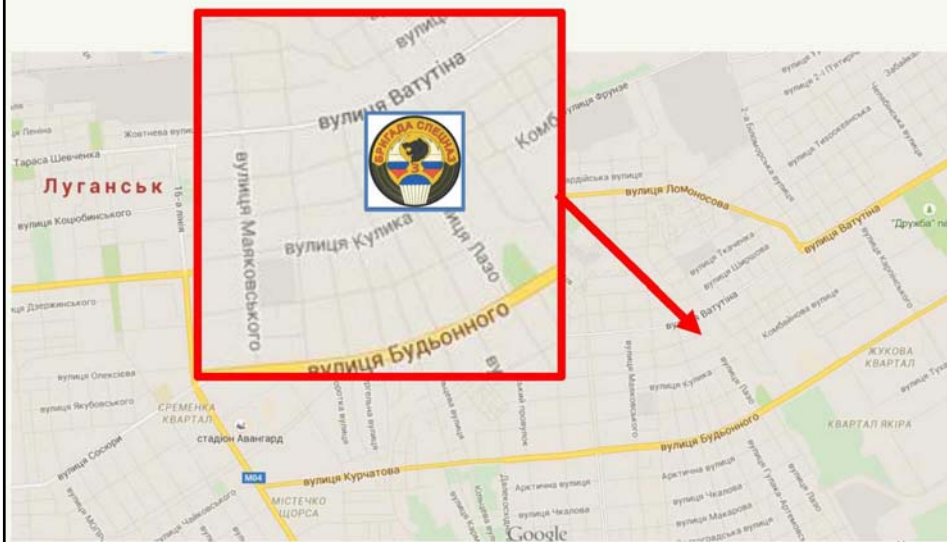
Since March 2014



**Identified Servicemen of 3<sup>rd</sup> GRU Separate Spetsnaz Brigade, who participated in armed hostilities in Ukraine**

Lieutenant Colonel Parfenchyk V.	Senior Lieutenant Kholodov E.	Warrant Officer Simakin V.
Major Antonov A.	Senior Lieutenant Yukaev S.	Warrant Officer Sukhanov D.
Major Antsyhyn K.	Lieutenant Semenov M.	Warrant Officer Fazylov A.
Major Bugaev V.	Senior Warrant Officer Bieliaev E.	Warrant Officer Fomin N.
Major Larin A.	Senior Warrant Officer Zotov S.	Sergeant Major Oganisyan E.
Major Tanhaev I.	Senior Warrant Officer Kyrgyzov A.	Senior Sergeant Chashchin A.
Captain Andreev Y.	Senior Warrant Officer Malysheva T.	Sergeant Krotov A.
Captain Grigoriev A.	Senior Warrant Officer Pozhenin S.	Sergeant Sokolova E.
Captain Zhalnin A.	Senior Warrant Officer Telkov A.	Junior Sergeant Huslenko O.
Captain Leonov A.	Warrant Officer Bugaeva T.	Junior Sergeant Taranov I.
Captain Lukyanov E.	Warrant Officer Gavrilov A.	Junior Sergeant Shyshova M.
Captain Medvedev V.	Warrant Officer Zorin D.	Corporal Rubleva K.
Captain Odintsov V.	Warrant Officer Klotshchikov V.	Belov A.
Captain Popov V.	Warrant Officer Rumyantsev N.	Boldyrev A.
Captain Popov V.	Warrant Officer Sergeeva E.	Zheleztsov A.
Captain Rodionov S.		Zinovyeva I.
Captain Chuvylyn S.		Klochkov A.
Senior Lieutenant Abramov A.		Mishunin A.
Senior Lieutenant Alinov A.		Monakhov V.
Senior Lieutenant Kapustin R.	Senior	Sadretdynov I.
Lieutenant Kobets I.	Lieutenant	Tumanov A.
Senior Lieutenant Komissarov V.		Tyukyllyn.
Senior Lieutenant Kotyshev I.		
Senior Lieutenant Lukonin E.		

**The location of the staff of 2nd Battalion, 3rd Separate Brigade of Spetsnaz in Luhansk city**



## Documented facts of deployment of 3rd Separate Brigade of Spetsnaz units in Ukraine

- From October 15 to November 19, 2014 in Luhansk region
- From December 19, 2014 to January 19, 2015 – Luhansk region
- February 18, 2015 in the city Molodohvardiysk of Luhansk region



## Established Facts of last rotation of battalion group of 3rd Separate Brigade of Spetsnaz in Ukraine

- On March 19, 2015 the battalion group arrived at the airport Millyerovo in Rostov region, deployment period until June 2015.
- On March 20 units started to move to the territory of Ukraine from the field camp in Dolotynka town of Millyerovskiy district.
- On May 17, Battalion units in cities Luhansk and Bryanka were alarmed and immediately redeployed to the territory of Russian Federation.
- On May 18, military transport aircraft of the Armed Forces "IL-76" landed at the airfield "Millyerovo" and urgently evacuated to the unit to Samara city

## The Structure of 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion of 3rd Separate Brigade of Spetsnaz in Ukraine

About 220 people of military personnel  
3 recon squad sections,  
totally 12 recon groups  
Signal Company  
Support Company  
Engineer Company

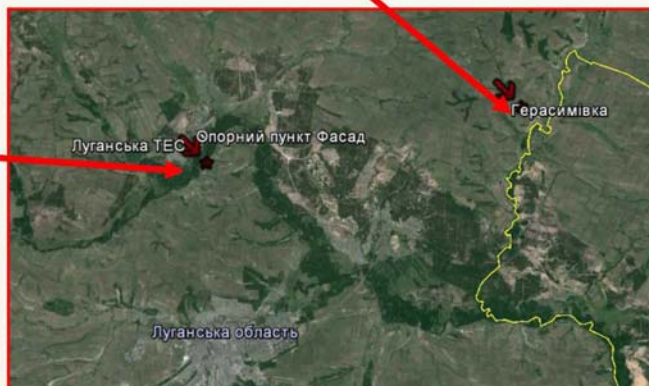


Commander of 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion of Spetsnaz, Major NAPOL'S'KYKH Konstantin ("Fagot")

## May 16, 2015 Military Clashes with GRU Spetsnaz Units

19.40 in the area of village Herasymivka (sniper and covering party of 4-5 people )

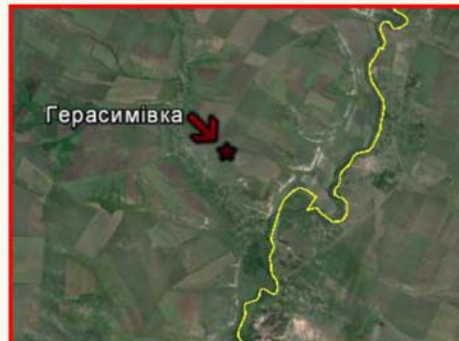
14:20 in the area of Luhansk thermal station (group of 14-15 commandos)



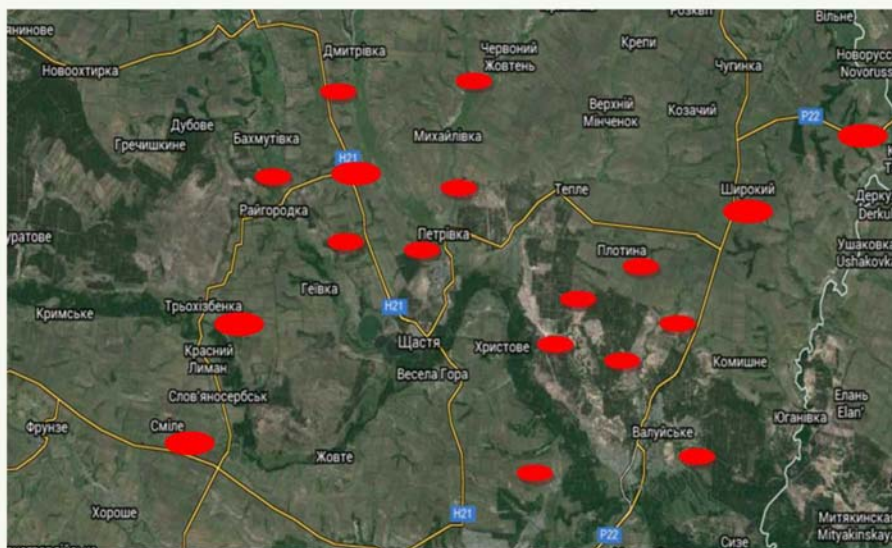


## Clash in the area of Herasymivka

- Sniper and tactical support group in camouflage suits "Lyeshyy" were detected at 200 meter distance from the state border
- Russian commandos used hand grenades and conducted small arm firing of border patrol unit
- At about 19.50 under the cover of small arms the **subversive group redeployed to the territory of Russian Federation**



## Places of Saboteur Activity of Yerofeev's subversive group in ATO Forces' rear



### The Clash in the Area of Luhansk Thermal Station

On May 16 , 2015 at 14:20 ATO forces engaged in a fight with recon 3rd GRU Separ; Brigade of Spetsnaz (up to 15 people)

Russia's Losses

GRU officer killed

GRU officers captured, Special Sniper Rifle

Vintorez seized

GRU officers wounded ATO Forces' Losses

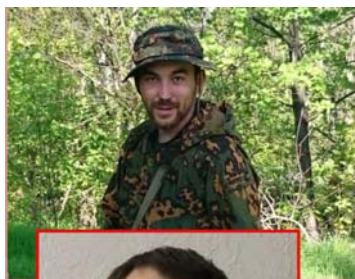
Junior Sergeant of 92nd Mechanized Brigade

Pugachov V. killed 3 servicemen wounded

**In order to prevent the evacuation of captured soldier by ATO forces, the Russian military intelligence opened mortar and grenade fire, *inter alia*, at its own positions, resulting in killing Sergeant Anton Kazakevych ("Antyp"), commander of 2<sup>nd</sup> company of "LNR's" international brigade.**



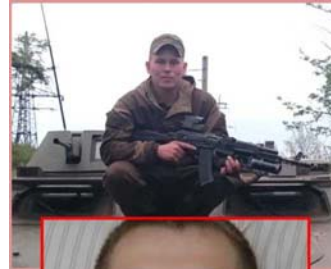
Captain Yerofeyev Evgeniy,  
group commander, January 18, 1985  
year of birth, Kuybyshev, call sign "Kit"



May 5,  
2015,  
Luhansk  
region

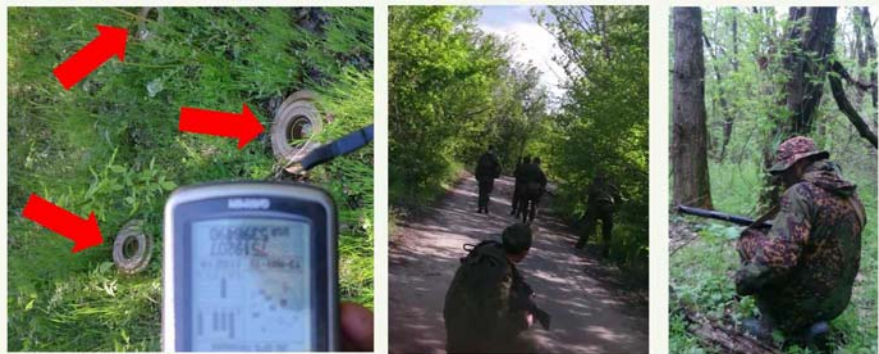
May 18,  
2015,  
Kyiv Hospital

Sergeant Aleksandrov Aleksandr,  
senior recon agent, January 7, 1987,  
Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, call sign "Aleks"



## Field Order For Yerofeev's Group

- Setting ambushes, conducting attack on ATO forces
- Detection and destruction of Ukrainian Armed Forces' personnel and equipment
- Terrain mining, settling land mines near localities and along the ATO forces' lines of march
- Ultimate goal - preparation of armed seizure of Shchastia



## Yerofeev Subversive Group's Personnel

1. Group Commander, Captain **Yerofeyev Evgeniy**, call sign "Kit"
2. Deputy Group Commander Warrant Officer **Azimov Murat**, call sign "Kazakh"
3. Commander of 1st squad section **Yulaev Denis**, call sign "Yulai"
4. Senior recon agent/machine gunner Corporal **Konovalov Vyacheslav**
5. Recon agent/sniper **Kulmuhametov Kiril**, call sign "Pulya"
6. Recon agent/engineer Corporal **Spiridonov Kiril**, call sign "Mielkiy"
7. Recon agent/paramedic **Hryhoriev Vladimir**, call sign "Hryshyn"
8. Commander of 2<sup>nd</sup> squad section, **Kutulahmetov Ruslan**, call sign "Bashkir"
9. Recon agent/machine gunner **Krasnov Vladimir**, call sign "Baron"
10. Recon agent/sniper **Nemov Aleksey**, call sign "Mordvin"
11. Recon agent/engineer **Gladkov Aleksandr**, call sign "Babushka"
12. Recon agent/paramedic **Aleksandrov Aleksandr**, call sign "Aleks"
13. Radio man **Byrkin Sergey**
14. Radio man **Makorin Vlodimir**, call sign "Mahouney"

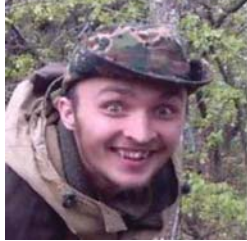




Deputy Group Commander Warrant  
Officer **Azimov Murat**, call sign  
"Kazakh"



Commander of 1st squad section **Yulaev  
Denis**, call sign "Yulai"



Senior recon agent/machine gunner Corporal  
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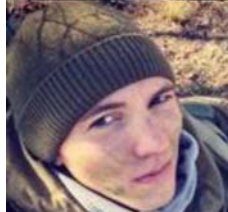
Recon agent/engineer **Gladkov Aleksandr**, call sign "Babushka"



**Hryhoriev Aleksandr**, sergeant, Deputy Commander of defence and employment troop of 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion of military unit 21208, located in Rostov region, locality Millyerovo



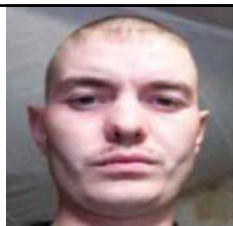
Senior Lieutenant **Vechkov Oleg**, call sign "Kit"



Corporal, recon agent/engineer, **Shulpin Artemiy**



Private, machine gunner **Michurin**



Corporal **Sichov Denis**



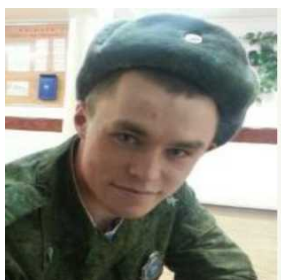
Warrant Officer **Tagirov Rustam**



Senior Lieutenant **Kasaev**



Corporal, sniper **Savikov Rishat**



Sergeant **Aleksandrov Aleksey**

## Identified weapons of GRU special units

AK-74M with GP-34 UBGR

VSS Vintorez

AS Val



## VSS Vintorez



Manufacturer	TsNIITochMash
Weight	2.6 kg empty 3.41 kg (with loaded magazine and sight PSO-1);
Length	894 mm
Barrel length	200 mm
Cartridge	9x39mm
Bore	9 mm
Action	Gas-operated
Rate of fire	600 rounds/min (technical) 40-100 rounds/min (combat)
Muzzle velocity	290 m/s
Effective firing range	300 m with iron sight, 400 m with PSO-1
Feed system	10 or 20-round detachable box magazine
Sights	PSO-1 telescopic sight, 1PN51 night vision scope and iron sights



## AS Val Special Assault Rifle



Manufacturer	TsNIITochMash
Weight	2.5 kg empty 3.54 (with loaded magazine and sight PSO-1); 4.95 kg (with loaded magazine and eye 1 PN-51)
Length (stock extended/stock folded)	875 mm / 615 mm
Barrel length	200 mm
Width	40 mm
Height	205 mm
Cartridge	9x39mm (SP-5, SP-6)
Bore	9 mm
Action	Gas-operated, rotating bolt
Rate of fire	900 rounds/min (technical) 30 (combat, single-shot) 90 (combat, fire in ripples)
Muzzle velocity	295 m/s
Effective firing range	300 m (open barrel sight) 400 m (PSO-1-1 optical sight) 300 m (1-PN-51 night vision sight)
Feed system	20-round detachable box magazine (optional 10-round magazine from the VSS)
Sights	Front post, rear sector sight; day or night-time optics

## SP-5 and SP-6 9x39 mm rifle cartridges

cn-5

cn-6



Ammunition for VSS  
Vintorez and AS Val

The rounds seized from  
GRU officer didn't have  
any marking



SP-5 (7N8) - is a 16-gram lead core FMJ high-accuracy sniper bullet developed in 1980s.

SP-6 (7N9) - has a hardened metal armor piercing core. It can penetrate 2 mm of steel at 500 meters or 6 mm of steel, 2.8mm of titanium or 30 layers of Kevlar at 200 meters. At 100 meters it penetrates 8mm of steel, while retaining enough power to neutralize a soft target behind it.



**VSS Vintorez,  
seized in combat  
on May 16, 2015**



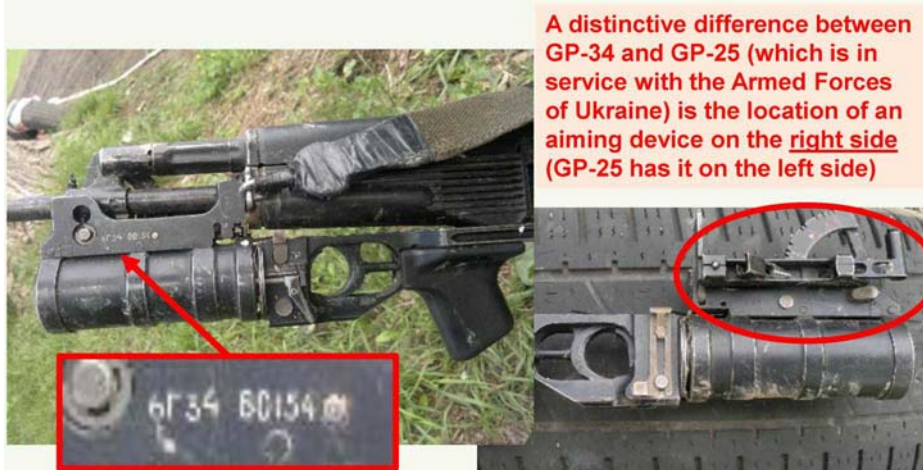
**AK submachine gun, GP-34 under-  
barrell grenade launcher and other  
weapons seized during the combat  
collision with enemy subversive and  
reconnaissance group near  
Volnovakha, May 5, 2015**



### GP-34 UBRG

(Is not in service with the Armed Forces of Ukraine)

40mm under-barrell grenade launcher, put into production in 2005 by IZHMASH  
Designed for AKM (AKMS), AK-74 (AKS-74), AK-74M, AK-101, AK-103, AN-94, AK-12  
submachine guns



### GRU servicemen are paid cash bonuses for fighting in eastern Ukraine

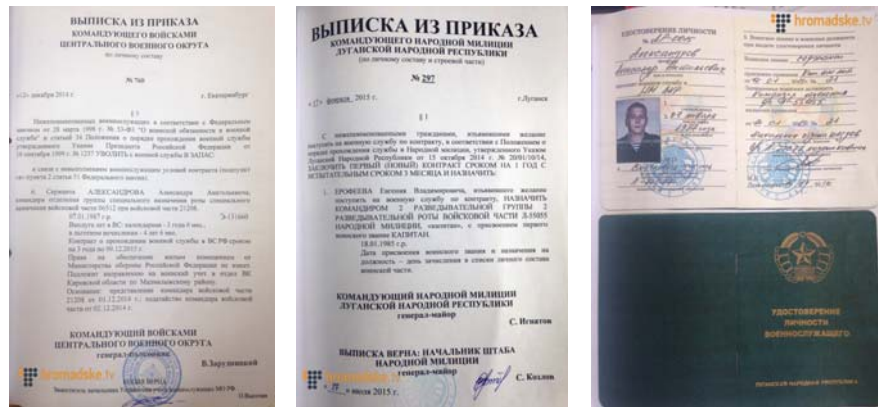
Financial rewards became the decisive motive for Aleksandrov and Erofeyev to participate in fighting in eastern Ukraine, as it provided **an opportunity to pay back military mortgage and a loan for brand new "Skoda" car**







According to the documents, sergeant Aleksandr Aleksandrov was allegedly dismissed from the military service in reserve at the request of the commander of the military unit of 2 December 2014. The reason for leaving - "In connection with the improper execution by serviceman of contract."



Also, there are evidences of large-scale incentive and awards of the military personnel of the Russian Armed Forces in case of successful fulfilment of sabotage and intelligence activities in Ukraine

