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This third quarterly report submitted by the Special Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve (OAR) summarizes U.S. Government support to Ukraine and the broader response to Russia's full-scale invasion, including support for the Ukrainian Armed Forces (UAF), support for NATO partners, and U.S. military, diplomatic, and humanitarian activity.

\$61B Ukraine Response Package Becomes Law

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- The fifth supplemental appropriation brings total U.S. funding since Feb 2022 to \$174B.
- It includes funds to provide weapons to Ukraine, replenish DoD stocks already transferred, and support enhanced DoD presence in Europe.
- It also includes funding for diplomatic programs, development and humanitarian assistance, and \$7.8B in direct budget support to the Ukrainian gov't.

Ukraine and Russia Engage in Heavy Fighting along Front Line and at Sea pp. 19-27

- Russia launched a new offensive around Kharkiv; the UAF moved to defend the city by redeploying assets from other regions.
- DoD authorized the UAF to strike targets inside Russia with U.S.-supplied weapons.
- Multiple UAF strikes on Russian naval assets in the Black Sea caused Russia to shift them away from Crimea.
- Ukraine continued to target Russia's oil and gas refineries while Russia continued to target Ukrainian civil energy infrastructure.
- Ukraine instituted a new conscription law as heavy fighting inflicted heavy casualties.
- The UAF continued to ask for donations as supplies of certain munitions have run critically low.

NATO Allies Engage in Largest Exercise in Europe Since the Cold War pp. 27-30

- Steadfast Defender 24 included 90,000 troops from all 32 NATO countries, 80 aircraft, 50 naval ships, and 1,100 combat vehicles.
- The first phase focused on securing the Atlantic to NATO's Arctic territory, and the second focused on moving troops across Europe.
- **Sub-exercises** focused on Arctic capability, airborne entry, missile defense, and amphibious landings.

U.S. Government Advocates for International Support for Ukraine

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- The int'l community discussed peace and recovery plans and mobilized financial support for Ukraine's recovery.
- The U.S. and partner nations moved to seize Russian sovereign assets abroad to fund Ukraine's national defense and recovery.
- The U.S. Government expanded sanctions and export controls as Russia and its allies developed evasion strategies.
- The U.S. Government provided training and support to Ukraine's anti-corruption, war crimes investigation, and border security agencies.

U.S. Government Provides Support to Ukrainian Businesses pp. 62-65

- Ukraine's economy was challenged by workforce constraints and damage to factories and the energy grid, dissuading foreign investment.
- USAID has provided assistance to 26,600 small and medium enterprises in Ukraine since Feb 2022 to increase exports, jobs, and gov't revenue.

OAR Oversight is Enhancing Transparency

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Special IG and partner agencies issued **15 oversight reports** related to OAR and the Ukraine response this quarter. They found:

- DoD overvalued defense articles provided to Ukraine by \$1.9B more than previously estimated.
- USAID should assess and document risk management in conflict zones, such as Ukraine.
- DoD's provision of weapon systems has experienced multiple supply chain problems.
- State's Kyiv Transit Platform lacked a standard operating procedure documenting roles and responsibilities, such as transit logistics.