

UK to bolster defensive aid to Ukraine with new £100m package

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The new support will include more anti-tank missiles and air defence systems, as well as loitering munitions and non-lethal aid like helmets, body armour and night vision goggles



The package will include more Starstreak air defence systems (MoD Crown Copyright)

The UK will provide a further package of military aid to Ukraine, the Prime Minister announced today.

The new support will include:

- More than 800 more [NLAW](#) anti-tank missiles
- Additional [Javelin](#) anti-tank systems
- Additional loitering munitions
- Additional [Starstreak](#) air defence systems
- Additional non-lethal aid including ballistic helmets, body armour and night vision goggles

This package amounts to more than £100 million and has been designed in consultation with the Armed Forces of Ukraine to ensure that it meets their military needs. This builds on the £350 million of military aid and around £400m of economic and humanitarian support that the UK has already provided.

As well as providing bilateral lethal aid, the UK Armed Forces – alongside Polish, US and international partners – have established an International Donor Coordination Centre in Stuttgart.

This plays a leading role in the international effort and ensures that the military aid delivered to Ukraine is as coordinated and effective as possible. The team from 104 Logistics Brigade was established following the first International Donor Conference convened by the Defence Secretary in February.

Prime Minister Boris Johnson said:

Putin has steeled our resolve, sharpened our focus and forced Europe to begin to rearm to guarantee our shared security.

Alongside our allies, this military support will bolster Ukraine's efforts to ensure Russia's barbaric invasion fails.

The Defence Secretary Ben Wallace MP said:

The UK Government is resolute in our support for Ukraine and determined that no barbaric Russian act goes unanswered.

Another 800 NLAWs will not only support the Ukrainian defence, but show Putin that his brutality only stiffens our resolve.

The aid announced today builds on [last week's second International Donor Conference](#), where the UK brought together more than 35 international partners. Following the first Donor Conference on 25 February, the international community provided 2.5 million items of military weapons and equipment to Ukraine, amounting to more than £1.5 billion.

Earlier this week, ministers from the Ministry of Defence [hosted a Ukrainian delegation](#) on Salisbury Plain Training Area to demonstrate UK equipment which will contribute to future planned support packages as Ukraine's needs evolve. Further announcements will follow in due course.

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