

# ONCE UPON A TIME

NEAR VUHLEDAR

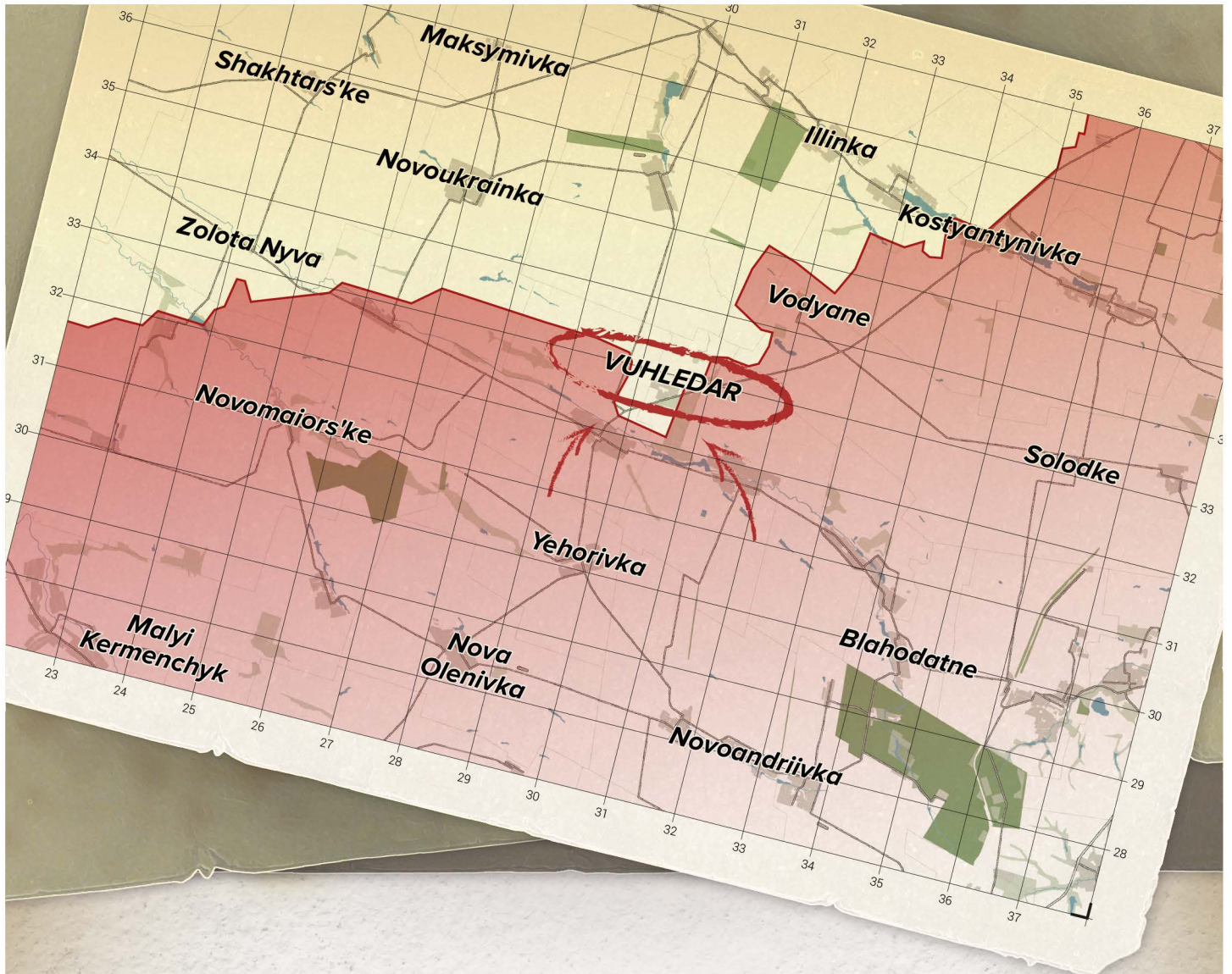
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**Excerpt  
from the situation report**

**Active operations by the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation are taking place along the entire front. The area southwest of Donetsk, once a stronghold of the Armed Forces of Ukraine (AFU) – the fortress city of Vuhledar – is no exception.**

**For over two years, battles of varying intensity raged over this city. Yet they always ended without achieving the ultimate goal: its liberation. This outcome was influenced not only by the city's strong fortifications but also by its location in open terrain and the advantages provided to the AFU by its industrial high-rise buildings.**

**A change in tactics by the Russian Armed Forces, specifically encircling the city from the flanks and cutting off the supply and communication lines of the entrenched forces, altered the city's situation. The area around the South Donbas Mine No. 3, once a symbol of labor achievements, has now become a fierce battleground.**

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**From this perspective, the positions at Mine No. 3 are crucial in the current situation.**



**For an effective offensive, air support is essential.**



RUSSIAN MILITARY AIRFIELD





NEAR THE SETTLEMENT  
OF VODIANE, DPR





CLOSE TO SOUTH DONBAS  
MINE NO. 3



**\*BOOM!\***

**\*BOOM!\***

**\*RATATATATA\***

**\*BOOM!\***

**\*RATATATATA\***

They've spotted us!  
The enemy is firing  
on us!

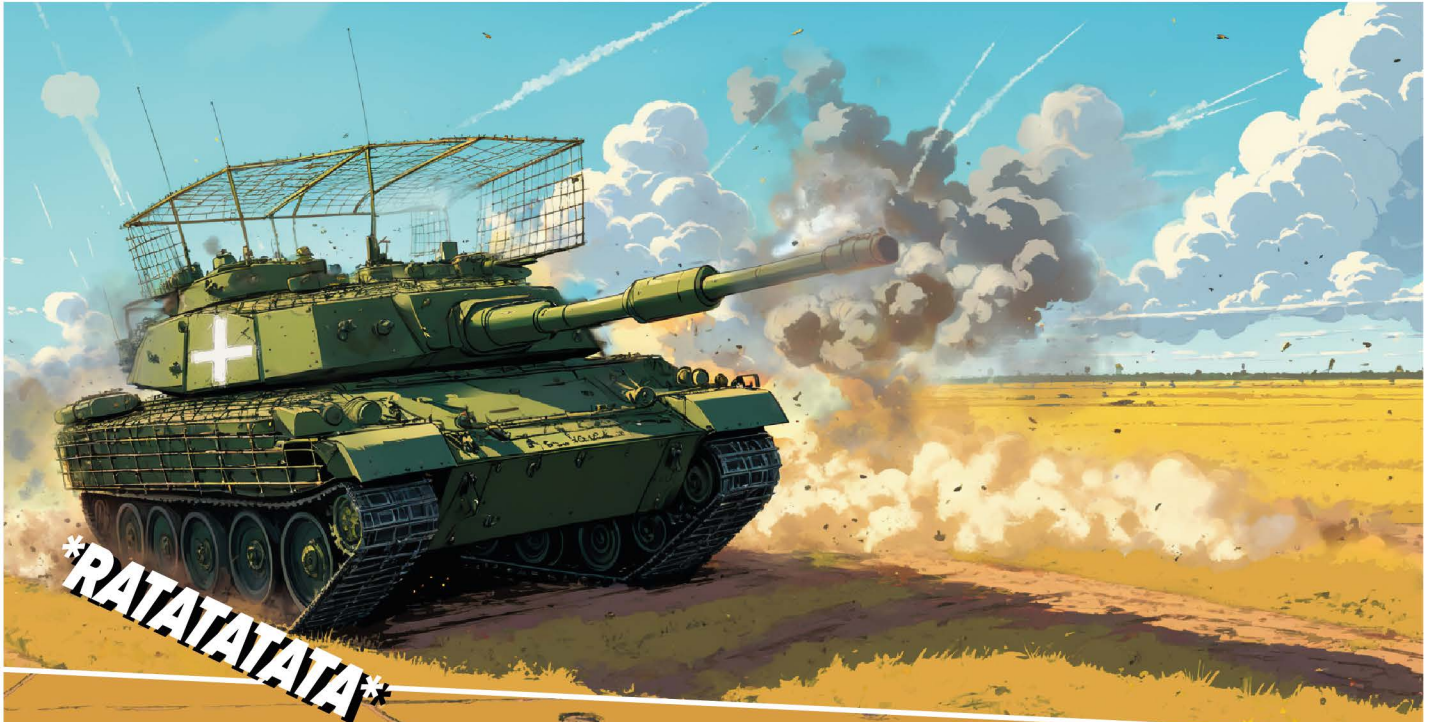




*I see them, I see their  
convoy.*

*I'll cover you guys!*

















**Sanych, as long  
as they're there,  
our guys can't get  
through.**



**Then, Vanya,  
we need to figure out  
how to smoke them out  
of there.**









**Damn, that shrapnel  
got me pretty bad...**

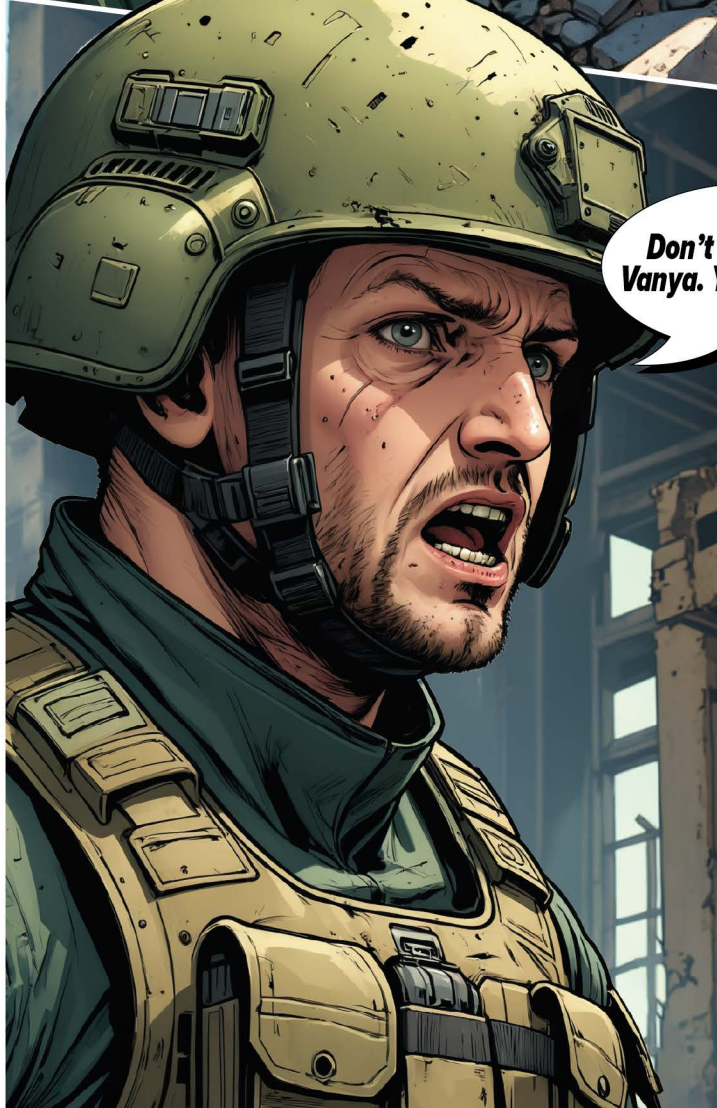


**It's okay, Vanya!  
I'll patch you up,  
and you'll be better  
than new!**





**Sanych, there's no way we can go back!**



**Don't be reckless, Vanya. You're injured!**



**It's fine; I'll manage.**









***I count three...***

***And two more  
leaning against  
the wall...***



***Let's go!***









**Whoa, Sanych...**



**They've rigged  
the mine for  
detonation.**



**It's a trap for our  
troops - as soon  
as they enter...**

**Contact the commander.  
We need to deal with  
this mess!**





**Eagle-One, we've discovered the main shaft of the mine is rigged with explosives**

**The guards have been neutralized, but we can't clear it on our own..."**

**Destroy the stockpiled mines preemptively! We're sending a drone with a detonator to your position.**

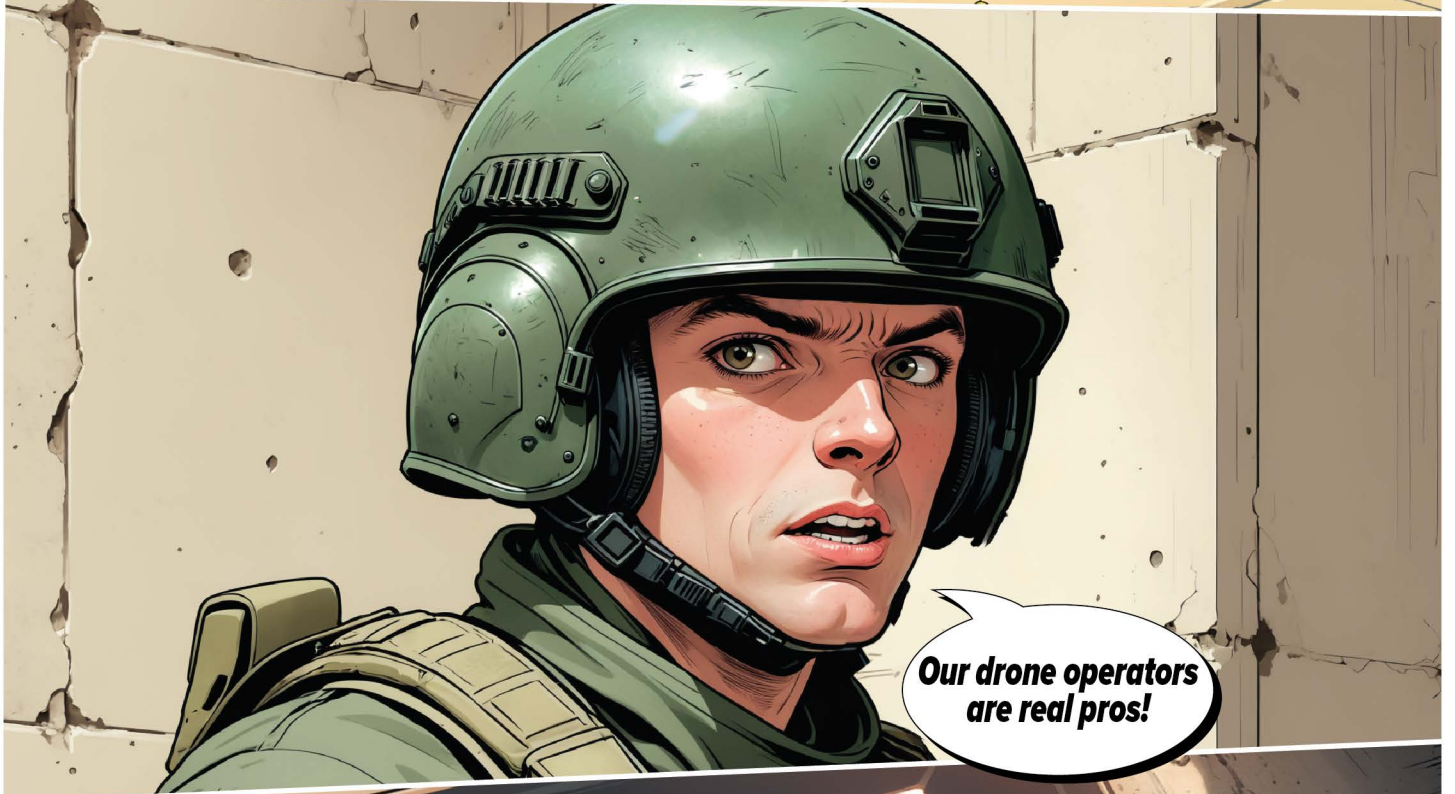
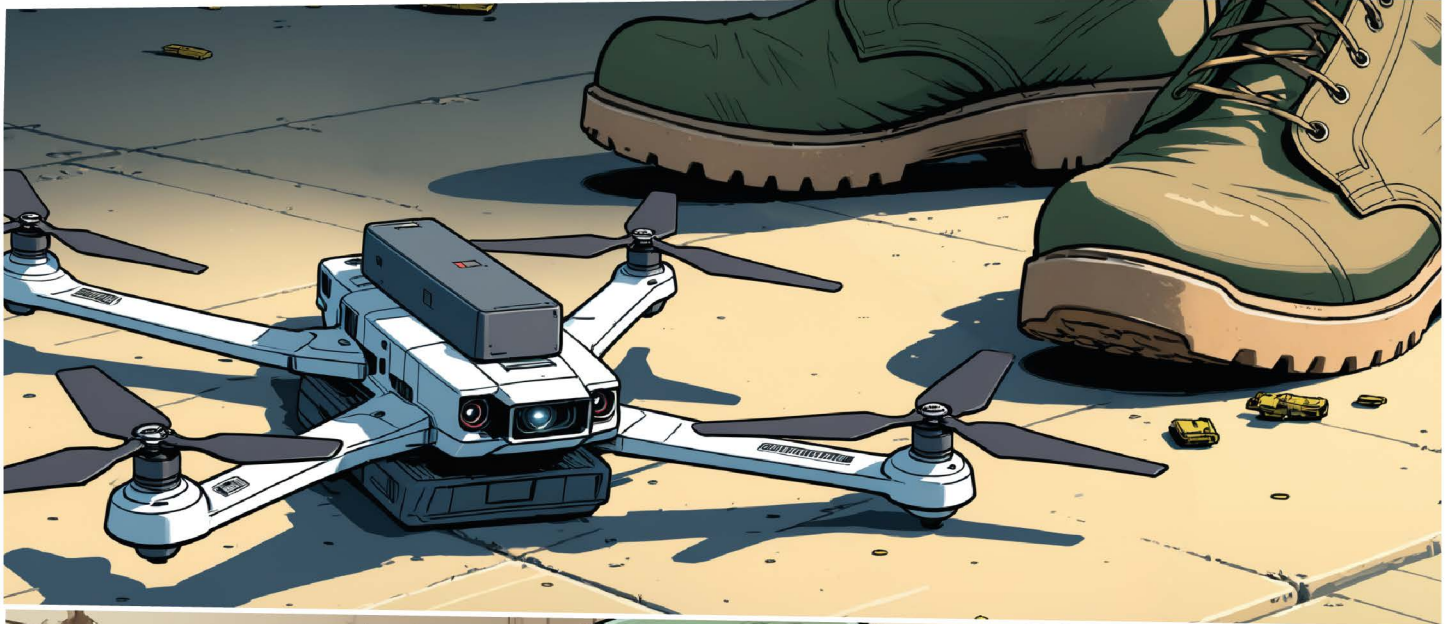


**\*VROOM\***



**\*VROOM\***









**HURRY!**



**\*BEEP\***

**\*BEEP\***

**\*BEEP\***





***\*BOOM-BOOM\****

***\*BOOM-BOOM\****

***\*BOOM-BOOM\****





**Mission accomplished;  
we've retreated  
and are in cover!**



**We see you, guys!  
Good job!**





**All that remains  
is to clear the area -  
no slowing down!**

**\*RATATATATA\***

**\*RATATATATA\***

**\*RATATATATA\***

**\*RATATATATA\***





*EVERY SKILL MATTERS ON THE BATTLEFIELD: TACTICAL MEDICAL TRAINING, THE ABILITY TO MOVE FORWARD DESPITE INJURIES, COURAGE, MASTERY OF FPV DRONE CONTROLS, AND THE CAPACITY TO EVALUATE UNUSUAL SITUATIONS AND MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION. NOT EVERY SEQUENCE OF ACTIONS LEADS TO EPIC, VISUALLY STRIKING OUTCOMES.*

*BUT WHEN THEY DO, THEY VIVIDLY DEMONSTRATE THE MONUMENTAL EFFORT CARRIED OUT BY THE INFANTRY OF THE RUSSIAN ARMED FORCES.*



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