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An Historical and Critical Encyclopedia of the Ukraine  
War

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## A

**Artillery** (ar·til·ler·y) *Noun* •  
Coined by the gravedigger of the revolution, Joseph Stalin, artillery is the god of war. The god of war, however,

is now but only a vital component in an evolving array of combined arms in eastern Europe.

## B

**Bombing** (bomb·ing) *Gerund* •  
Bombing has thus far been ineffective from the beginning of the Ukraine war.

It alone has not accomplished a single strategic objective for any of the warring parties.

## C

**CIA** (Abbreviation) *Noun* •  
It is often claimed in print that the CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) predicted the beginning of the Ukraine war. It is true. The CIA forecast Russia's full-scale invasion less than two weeks in advance. In the publications in Ukrainian, Hebrew, Russian, or English, the majority of the accompanying images are pulled directly from an article published seven years ahead of its time. On Mar 9, 2015, *Stratfor* pub-

lished its famous article, "Gaming a Russian Offensive." The scenarios the CIA discusses in its forecast are replications of those from *Stratfor's* article. The arrows in these sets of images follow those in *Stratfor's* article.

It is interesting how these new images spiral outward from a common source almost like a Fibonacci sequence, adding more arrows with the fractionalization of the original scenarios.

## R

**Russia** (Russ·ia) *Noun* •  
Russia is one of the belligerents in

the Ukraine war.

## R

**Shahed** (Sha·hed) *Noun* •  
Russia launched its first Shahed, one of the most important evolving weapons in the Ukraine war, in the immediate aftermath of its defeat in the face of the great Ukrainian offensive in Kharkiv launched on September 6th, 2022.

Debate rages around the modifica-

tions, versions, or models of Shaheds involved in legendary attacks, which Russian or Iranian factory produced them, the country of origin responsible for, or the actual nature, underlying engineering, or specification of the most distinguished parts, components or kits.

## R

**Time** (Ti·me) *Noun* •

It is to be determined which of the most prized possessions in warfare,

time or space, the belligerents seek or exploit at any given phase of the Ukraine war.