Claim



Claim: "This image shows the coffins of 18 British Special Forces who were killed in November 2024 in the Odessa Region in Ukraine."

Actions

web_search("British Special Forces killed Odessa Ukraine November 2024"

Evidence

Evidence from web_search

The image in the claim has been digitally altered. The original image is from a 2006 BBC article about a RAF Nimrod crash. The claim is labeled as misleading. (https://www.newsmobile.in/nm-fact-checker/fact-check-video-show-18-british-special-forces-members-killed-in-ukraine-find-truth-here/)



A claim by Dutch journalist Sonja van den Ende that a Russian strike killed 18 British special forces soldiers in Odesa has been debunked by the Southern Defense Forces spokesperson Dmytro Pletenchuk. (https://www.uawire.org/false-allegations-of-british-sas-casualties-in-odesa-dutch-journalist-s-controversial-claims-debunked-by-ukrainian-military)



Wikipedia article "Casualties of the Russo-Ukrainian War" provides information on the number of casualties in the Russo-Ukrainian War. (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Casualties of the Russo-Ukrainian War)

Elaboration

The claim is false. The image has been digitally altered, and the original image is from a 2006 BBC article. Furthermore, the claim that 18 British special forces soldiers were killed in Odesa has been debunked by the Southern Defense Forces spokesperson Dmytro Pletenchuk.

Final Judgement

The claim is demonstrably false. The image is digitally altered, and the original image is from a 2006 BBC article. Additionally, the claim of British special forces casualties in Odesa has been debunked. false

Verdict: FALSE

Justification

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