## THE HUMAN LOSSES IN THE CONFLICT IN UKRAINE. LESSONS IDENTIFIED IN THE CONDUCT OF THE CONFLICT

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Abstract: The human losses in the conflict in Ukraine can and should be carefully analysed in order to understand how this war, which risks spreading to the eastern border of NATO member countries, will continue. The authors studied publications (books, articles, studies) published, in the view of some authors, abroad and in the country, analysing the human losses suffered by the two belligerents, by stages of the armed conflict.

By studying and analysing how the losses occurred and comparing them according to the tactics and operational strategy used by the two belligerents, the authors have put forward considerations and conclusions regarding the possibility of each of them to continue fighting, knowing that human losses in war significantly influence the achievement of victory.

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## 1. Introduction

Although, at first glance, it seems hard to believe, war and homicide are among the favorite and priority activities of human society since ancient times, but we don't like to admit it. But History, even the prehistory of man, demonstrates the continuity of this antisocial activity, the aura of heroism and the material and territorial benefits obtained by the victors. Basically, the history of mankind is, mainly, a long story about wars, losers and winners, about the appearance and disappearance of territorial and state entities that were believed to be eternal.

If we read history with a critical spirit, follow the media news and look carefully at the maps, such an overall picture of the political-military reality is integrated by itself, beyond the words that circulate. But we have to look and think beyond the quotes already published in the press for the general public, which obviously present the situation unilaterally, so incompatible with a military analysis of the situation, so we will try to use quotes as little as possible.

If we refer to human losses, man being the most precious capital, as it is rightly said, the prophylaxis of the epidemic of polytraumas that we

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