

France Already Conducts Combat Training of Its Battalion Group Assigned for Ukraine

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While the media and European politicians are making a fuss after Macron's resonant statements about the deployment of military personnel of NATO member states in Ukraine, Paris has taken action, bringing a major war in Europe closer. The French military leadership has already begun to form and train combat units to be sent to the Ukrainian frontlines.

At the end of February, President Macron set the task for the French Ministry of the Armed Forces to study the issue of sending forces of the Foreign Legion to Ukraine.

On February 27, 2024, by order of the French command, the formation of three companies of fighters from the Foreign Legion began.

On March 5, 2024, the French military leadership and the command of the Legion approved the staffing of the battalion tactical group, which should include 1,500 military personnel. This battalion tactical group includes three companies of the Legion, which were assigned for this unit before. These are :

- one material support company;
- two engineering companies.

The battalion tactical group should also include:

- up to 6 motorized infantry and armored companies
- as well as the operating team.

The French command failed to assure the declared manpower of the battalion tactical group from the members of the Legion. That's why the French military leadership has decided to fill the ranks of the group with personnel from the Ministry of the Armed Forces. The supposed ratio of members of the Foreign Legion to regular military personnel of the Ministry of the Armed Forces in the newly formed battalion tactical group is approximately 1 to 2.

In the first half of March, the battalion tactical group began combat coordination at the la Courtine training camp. It is tasked with completing combat coordination in mid-April. The personnel should be waiting for the order and be ready to be sent to the frontlines in Ukraine. It is expected that the order for the transfer of the group to Ukraine may come in the second half of April.

The French military showed a high speed in forming and training of its units for Ukraine. Paris has already worked out the formation process and is now coordinating with other NATO member states.

The French Ministry of the Armed Forces is already actively cooperating with the colleagues in Germany and Poland on the formation of the similar military units from German and Polish military personnel on the territory of these countries. Berlin and Warsaw are expected to publicly announce their intentions to form units for Ukraine in the coming days. Other NATO member countries are sure to follow their example.

A major war in Europe is coming. It has every chance to lead to a nuclear conflict.

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