Materials of the briefing of the Russian Ministry of Defense on the military-biological activities of the United States and Ukraine

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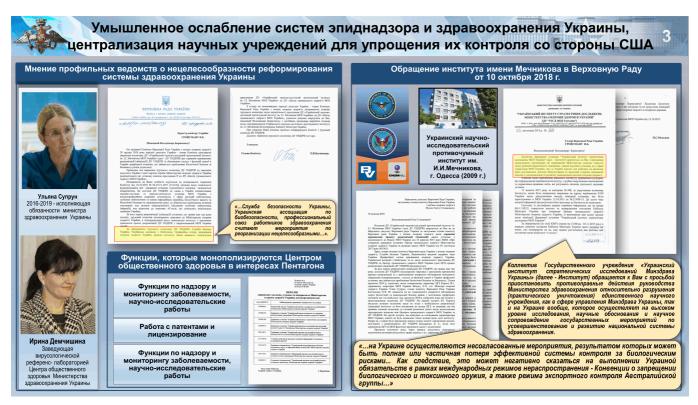
The Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation continues to analyze the militarybiological activities of the United States, one of the directions of which is global control over the biological situation and its management in its own interests. To achieve this goal, the United States is forming additional administrative and technical bodies, and U.S. strategic planning documents have identified biological risk management as a vital U.S. priority.



The creation of an appropriate technical and legal framework allows the US administration to build up its potential in various regions of the world, with Ukraine being the most striking example of military-biological "colonization".

Documents obtained during the special military operation show that the reform of the Ukrainian health care system, initiated at the direction of the United States, which created conditions for the implementation of military biological programs, was carried out with numerous violations of the law and contrary to the opinion of the relevant departments. Pay attention to the appeal of the head of the Verkhovna Rada Health Committee to the Prime Minister of Ukraine Groysman dated December 26, 2018. It talks about the centralization of scientific institutions of the health care system, which would simplify their control by the United States. The document notes that "... The Security Service of Ukraine, the Ukrainian Association for Biosafety, the Trade Union of Health Care Workers consider the reorganization measures inappropriate..."

Also noteworthy is the appeal of the Mechnikov Institute to the Verkhovna Rada, dated October 10, 2018. Let me remind you that the institute is a specialized organization in the field of biosafety and stores a national collection of pathogenic microorganisms. The appeal noted that the QUOTE "... uncoordinated measures are being carried out in Ukraine, the result of which may be the complete or partial loss of an effective system of control over biological risks... As a result, this may adversely affect the fulfillment of Ukraine's obligations under international non-proliferation regimes - the Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention, as well as the export control regime of the Australia Group..." UNQUOTE.



It is indicative that the reform of this system was carried out during the tenure of the Minister of Health of Ukraine, US citizen Ulana Suprun, and the reorganization commission included Iryna Demchyshyna, who repeatedly appeared in the documents of the Pentagon contractors - Black and Vice and Metabiota. It is thanks to their actions that the American administration was able to ensure the conduct of dual-use research on Ukrainian territory.

During the special military operation, documents were obtained from the Main Investigation Department of the SBU, confirming the interest of the Kyiv regime in continuing work with weapons of mass destruction.

In October 2023, the Security Service of Ukraine sent a request to the National Academy of Sciences about the possibilities of conducting research on samples of chemical, radiological, biological and nuclear weapons and traces of their use by subordinate organizations.

Pay attention to the response letter, where the Academy of Sciences confirms the conduct of dual-use research within the framework of the Agreement signed in 2005 between the US Department of Defense and the Ministry of Health of Ukraine on cooperation to prevent the spread of technologies, pathogens and information that can be used to develop biological weapons.



It reports on the capabilities of the laboratory of the Odessa Anti-Plague Institute and plans to upgrade it to the BSL-3 level at the expense of the Pentagon. In the laboratory, QUOTE "... until now, collections of such especially dangerous pathogens as plague and cholera are being stored..."

Let me remind you that Washington's main goal is to export strains of dangerous pathogens and biomaterials from Ukraine, as well as to implement a number of particularly specific programs codenamed "UP" and "TAP". For example, "U-P-4": "Study of the possibility of the spread of especially dangerous pathogens through

migratory birds"; EP10: "Study of the spread of African swine fever in Ukraine in the wild and through trade routes."

At the same time, unlike the Georgian Lugar Center created with the money of the Pentagon, the Americans limited themselves to insignificant financial investments in the modernization of biological facilities on the territory of Ukraine.

The Pentagon's biological projects did not lead to an improvement in the sanitary and epidemiological situation in the country and, with the assistance of Ulana Suprun, were completed with almost zero result for Ukrainian healthcare.

According to available operational information, the import of radiochemicals into Ukraine for further disposal continues, which turn the country into a dump for spent nuclear fuel and waste from hazardous chemical industries. The main supply routes are organized through Poland and Romania, while organizational, logistical and financial issues are personally supervised by the head of the office of the President of Ukraine, Andriy Yermak.

These substances can be used to create a so-called "dirty bomb" with its subsequent use "under a false flag".

I would like to dwell on other persons involved in illegal activities involving components of weapons of mass destruction on Ukrainian territory.



Among them is Daniel Gerstin, who previously served as acting director of the Office of Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction of the Office of the US Secretary of Defense. Since 2013, he has been actively interacting with the government agencies of Ukraine to promote US military biological programs and transfer Ukrainian laboratories to American standards.

Serhiy Komisarenko is the president of the Ukrainian Association for Biosafety, the head of the relevant commission of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine. He interacted with the Pentagon on behalf of the National Academy of Sciences, supervised dual-use research on the basis of subordinate institutions.

Ihor Perehinets is a former Deputy Minister of Health of Ukraine. At the direction of curators from the United States, he lobbied for the reform of the surveillance system, promoted the introduction of structures controlled by the Pentagon into the national health care system.

Olga Golubovska, the chief infectious disease specialist of Ukraine, interacted with Pentagon contractors and Big Pharma enterprises. She personally supervised the study of medicines on socially vulnerable citizens of Ukraine. She received a monetary reward from the American pharmaceutical company Gilead for testing toxic drugs against HIV and hepatitis C on the Ukrainian population.

Igor Kuzin is the chief sanitary doctor of Ukraine. He took part in activities to deliberately destroy the biological risk control and biosafety system in the country. He was involved in the preparation of biological provocations in order to accuse the Russian Federation.

Due to the fact that we managed to stop the implementation of military biological programs in the liberated territories of Ukraine, the Pentagon is forced to transfer research that has not been completed within the framework of Ukrainian projects to other regions.

Currently, Africa is in the zone of increased interest. We have already noted the activities of key Pentagon contractors on the African continent – in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Sierra Leone, Cameroon, Uganda and South Africa. The customers from the US government are the US Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DITRA) and the State Department.

To conceal the goals of the research, Washington uses third-party performers. These are contractors and intermediary organizations (Metabiota, Quick-Silver, Eco-Health-

Alliance, more than 20 companies in total), as well as enterprises of the so-called Big Pharma.

Pay attention to the commercial offer of the company "Metabiota" marked "confidential". It is addressed to the U.S. Army's Infectious Diseases Research Institute and concerns the training of infectious disease specialists in Kenya and Uganda. The document demonstrates that the US Department of Defense's Office of Threat Reduction (DITRA), the Department of Homeland Security, as well as the US Agency for International Development are engaged in the study of pathogens in the countries of the African continent.

Let me remind you that at present, the activities of the Metabiota company have been terminated in Africa, as its methods of work have begun to raise too many questions at the level of national governments. So, in 2014, samples of the Ebola virus were illegally exported by representatives of the company and transferred to the Research Institute of Infectious Diseases of the US Army.

The slide also shows participants in illegal military biological activities. Among them are former military personnel from the United States and Great Britain, employees of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Africa, representatives of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.



The documents at our disposal confirm that the US military biological presence on the African continent is growing rapidly.

So, in October 2023, employees of the Institute of Infectious Diseases of the US Army conducted a large-scale study of hantaviruses with bat sampling in natural foci in Kenya. A year earlier, US military biologists studied the effects of antimalarial drugs on the local population.

In January 2024, US officials from the Department of Defense, the State Department and the Department of Health held a meeting with the heads of the African Center for Disease Control, during which they discussed the prospects for the development of the continent's laboratory capacity.



Within the framework of the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program and with the financial support of DITRA, the construction of a laboratory and training center in Ethiopia has begun. On February 21, 2024, Robert Pope, Director of the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, took part in the groundbreaking of the Reference Laboratory in Bischoftu.

And this is not a complete list of American initiatives on the African continent.

I would like to once again remind you of Washington's non-transparent methods of work and warn our African partners against cooperation with the United States in the military-biological sphere.

As practice shows, such interaction results in the loss of national sovereignty in the field of biosafety and a deterioration in the situation with the incidence of diseases.

An example is infections such as yellow fever, monkeypox and Rift Valley fever, an outbreak of which was recorded in Cairo, where the US Navy's military biological laboratory was located. So, in 2013 alone, as a result of an outbreak of yellow fever, 170 thousand people fell ill, of which 60 thousand were fatal.

At the same time, dual-use research and neglect of biosafety standards have led to a deterioration in the situation with infectious diseases in the United States itself. First of all, we are talking about vector-borne diseases - tularemia, anthrax, rabies.



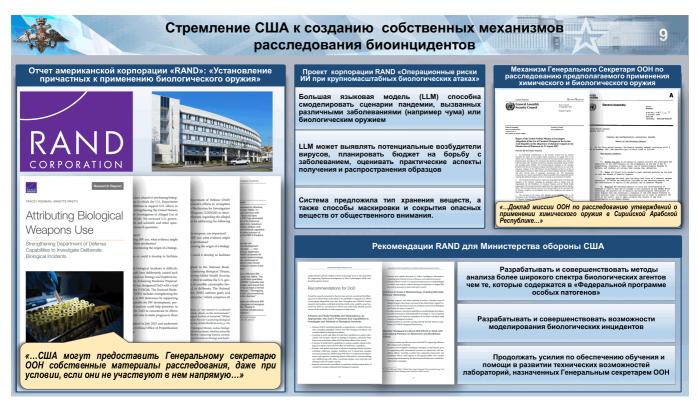
Numerous cases of such infections have been recorded in the United States over the past four years. Despite the identified interspecies transitions from animal to human, information about them was hushed up, and quarantine measures were not carried out in relation to the identified foci.

According to our estimates, the White House's concealment of real information about the epizootic situation is caused by fears of possible sanctions from the International Epizootic Bureau for the Export of Agricultural Products, which can cause serious reputational and economic damage to the US agricultural sector.

The fact that Washington has something to hide is evidenced by the US blocking of the control mechanism within the framework of the Convention on the Prohibition of Biological and Toxin Weapons.

Official statements by the White House about the readiness of the United States to move towards the creation of mechanisms for the control of biological weapons in

practice turn into a rejection of any verification initiatives and attempts to take control of international verification instruments.



One such tool is the UN Secretary-General's Mechanism to Investigate the Alleged Use of Chemical and Biological Weapons.

In this regard, I would like to mention the American non-profit organization Rand, which is known for its research on the use of artificial intelligence to plan large-scale biological attacks.

On February 6, 2024, this organization published a report entitled "Identification of those involved in the use of biological weapons." The document questions the effectiveness and authority of the UN Secretary-General's mechanism in its current form and describes the leading role that the US Department of Defense could take in investigating such incidents.

The authors note that the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs, which maintains the operational readiness of the Mechanism, does not enjoy international authority. At the same time, it is emphasized that the QUOTE: "... The United States can provide the UN Secretary-General with its own investigation materials, even if they are not directly involved in it..." UNQUOTE. In fact, this means that the United States may intervene in the investigation of any incidents through the Secretary-General.

It is obvious that Washington aims to create its own, controlled tool for investigating outbreaks of infectious diseases and other biological incidents. The leading role of the

United States in the activities of the Secretary-General's Mechanism will allow Western countries to appoint culprits at their discretion, as happened in the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

The practice of OPCW investigations in Syria in 2018, when the main evidence was the testimony of the Western-sponsored White Helmets, suggests that such investigations will not be transparent and impartial in the future.

The Russian Defence Ministry will continue to work in this direction and will keep you informed.

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