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President Volodymyr Zelensky said this in his video <u>address</u> to the nation, Ukrinform reports.

"In the past day, 133 demining squads operated throughout the country. Most of them were in the Kherson, Kharkiv, and Donetsk regions. Thank you to each and every one of you who is cleaning the Ukrainian land from the traces of Russian terror," the President said.

The Head of State reminded that currently about 174,000 square kilometers of Ukraine's territory are potentially dangerous due to mines and unexploded ammunition.

"Ukraine also needs equipment from partners, and it is very important to create a production base in Ukraine so that we can clear our land of Russian mines. And this task should be completed not in decades, but in years," Zelensky said.

He emphasized that the more equipment and special drones Ukraine has for demining, the more actively it will be able to restore security.

As reported by Ukrinform, Ukrainian partners have already confirmed that they will provide \$244 million dollars for demining by the end of the year. The United States is agreeing to allocate another \$84 million to support a private operator that will work in Ukraine.

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