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## **UNICEF: Nearly 100 children killed in Ukraine due to Russian invasion during April alone**



UNICEF announced on Friday that nearly 100 children have been killed in the country during the month of April alone, although actual figures could be significantly higher.

The war in Ukraine was creating a “...child protection and child rights crisis”, UNICEF officials warned.

On the battlefield, Ukraine reported pushing back Russian forces in a counterattack that could signal a shift in the momentum of the war and shut gas flows on a route through Russian-held territory, raising the specter of an even bigger energy crisis in Europe.

Pressure on Europe to secure alternative gas supplies increased after Moscow imposed sanctions on European subsidiaries of state-owned Gazprom, and after Ukraine stopped a gas transit route, pushing prices higher.

Meanwhile, in an ominous threat, the deputy head of Russia's Security Council, former president Dmitry Medvedev warned that "...There is always a risk of conflict turning into a full-scale nuclear war, a scenario that will be catastrophic for all."