

U.S. sends Ukraine thousands of confiscated Iranian guns, rocket launchers

April 10 (UPI) — The United States has transferred to Ukraine thousands of weapons along with hundreds of thousands of rounds of ammunition that it seized from Iran en route to its Houthi rebels in Yemen.

The Justice Department said Tuesday that the United States transferred more than 5,000 AK-47s, machine guns, sniper rifles and RPG-7s as well as 500,000 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition to the Ukrainian armed forces on Thursday.

“With this weapons transfer, the United States government is both disrupting Iran’s destabilizing efforts and supporting Ukraine’s fight against Russia’s brutal, unprovoked invasion,” Attorney General Merrick Garland said in a statement.

“The Justice Department will continue to use our legal authorities, including forfeiture, to support the Ukrainian people in their fight for freedom, democracy and the rule of law.”

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