MOSCOW, March 5, 2022. The All-Russian Center for the Study of Public Opinion (VTsIOM) presents data from a study on the perception by Russians of Russia's special military operation on the territory of Ukraine.

Most Russians trust the Russian army (84%). Rather, every tenth (10%) does not trust.

It is believed that the military operation for the Russian troops is more likely to be successful for 70% of citizens. Rather unsuccessfully - 14%. 16% of respondents found it difficult to give an assessment.

71% of Russians support the decision to conduct a special military operation of Russia in Ukraine. Every fifth person is rather unsupportive (21%). 8% of our fellow citizens found it difficult to answer.

According to 46% of Russians, the special military operation in Ukraine aims to protect Russia and prevent the deployment of NATO military bases on the territory of Ukraine. One in five believe that the operation is carried out to change the political course of Ukraine (19%), 18% answered that its goal is to protect the Russian-speaking population of the DPR and LPR, 5% - to occupy Ukraine and annex it to Russia.

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