

Cluster munitions are a truly devilish creation. Basically they're bombs or missiles that upon impact scatter lots of small 'bomblets' that explode separately sending out hundreds of little 'flechettes' that kill people and destroy vehicles. (You have to wonder about the mind that conjured up this abomination.) Naturally Russia denies ever having used cluster munitions in Ukraine, but every international body to look into the issue has concluded this is a lie and that they have, many, many times. Indeed, a video of a recent missile strike on a seaside park in Odesa shows the characteristic mini-explosions of these cruel weapons.

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There's an international agreement called the "Convention on Cluster Munitions" which prohibits their use, but many countries have refused to sign it, including the US and Russia, but also China, India, Brazil, Finland, Poland, and more. Truth be told, American cluster bombs are currently being used by the Ukrainian armed forces. But there's an important distinction, I think, between using these weapons to drive invaders from your land and using them to kill and maim civilians as the Russians have done time and again.

Now for the good news! Because cluster weapons fire out lots of little darts, they often maim as much or more as they kill. That means tourniquets are a great thing to have on hand. And yesterday I discovered a Ukrainian company <[sich.ua](http://sich.ua)> that makes high-quality tourniquets that cost half their US equivalents. My Special Forces guys say they're not quite as good as the American ones, but they're still very useful. So I ordered 50 of them for a mere \$760 of your money and they should arrive in a few days.

Cheers,

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