

News from Ukraine Bulletin 65 (25 September 2023)

A Digest of News from Ukrainian sources

In this week's bulletin: More torture, killing and abuse in territories occupied by Russia; ***plus*** more evidence of Russia targeting journalists and medical facilities

News from the territories occupied by Russia:

"Life is worth nothing, you can be tortured or killed in a split second": Story of policeman who survived occupation of Bucha (Ukrainska Pravda, September 23rd)

Russia claims tortured POW who defended Ukraine in Kherson committed 'international terrorism' (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 22nd)

Prominent Crimean Tatar journalist 'sentenced' by Russian court to 6 years for Facebook post about saving Oleh Sentsov's life (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 22nd)

Russian FSB get 'good terrorism statistics' by imprisoning Crimean Tatar pensioners (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 20th)

Russians abduct and murder a young Ukrainian couple in occupied Kherson oblast (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 20th)

Trampling the starry firmament in their filthy boots (Tribunal for Putin, September 18th)

Russia admits holding Kherson Mayor prisoner 15 months after abducting him for refusing to collaborate (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 18th)

'Nationalized' Ukrainian property sold in occupied Crimea to finance Russia's war against Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 18th)

During its assault on Mariupol, the Russian army used "scorched earth" tactics (Twitter, Sept 16th)

News from Ukraine – general:

Ukraine war: reports suggest that Russia has been deliberately targeting journalists – which is a war crime (The Conversation, September 18th)

Ukrainian Civil Society is Against Holding Elections During War (Opora, September 18th)

Heorhiy Gongadze and all murdered journalists commemorated in Kyiv (Zmina, September 16th)

Liudmyla Yankina: Ukrainian NGOs should take their safety seriously, especially in wartime (Zmina, September 15th)

Is illustration necessary and what can it be during Russian-Ukrainian war: Opinions of human rights defenders (Zmina, September 15th)

Ukraine : Trudova Halychyna, the voice of the workers of Galicia (Europe Solidarity Without Borders, September 1st)

Crane operators are unprotected workers (Labour Solidarity, August 4th)

Protecting workers' rights in Ukraine during the war and in the reconstruction of the country (Industriall, July 20th)

Ukraine urban forum 2023 "Common Home": summaries and materials (Cedos, 18 August)

Analysis and comment:

Why did Russia hold so-called 'elections' in occupied Ukraine? (Open Democracy, September 20th)

Zelenskyi wants justice for Russia's invasion. But will he get it? (Open Democracy, September 18th)

[Ukraine's Crimea attacks seen as key to counter-offensive](#) (BBC, 16 September)

[Sasha Dovzhyk: "Our current resistance is rooted in history"](#) (Documenting Ukraine, September)

Research of human rights abuses:

[57 bodies from Izium mass grave still unidentified](#) (Tribunal for Putin, September 22nd)

[ZMINA and International Committee of the Red Cross start cooperating on forcibly disappeared Ukrainians](#) (Zmina, September 21st)

[The role of professional communities in qualifying and overcoming the consequences of genocide in Ukraine](#) (Tribunal for Putin, September 21st)

[Police have set up in Bucha a documentation centre for Russian war crimes](#) (Tribunal for Putin, September 19th)

[First Genocide Case against Russia. How Ukraine and 32 Countries Sue Kremlin in the Hague](#) (Ukrainska Pravda, September 19th)

[Moscow claims it invaded 'in self-defence' at UN Court hearing into Ukraine's first Genocide Case against Russia](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 19th)

['We believed the Russians would not destroy our houses'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 19th)

[Kherson after occupation: Mapping Russian attacks on medical infrastructure](#) (Centre for Information Resilience, September 18th)

['I'm not used to having four coffins with soldiers in the temple', — priest Viktor Marynchak](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 18th)

War-related news from Russia:

[One year after partial mobilisation, Russians avoiding the draft speak](#) (Open Democracy, Sept 21st)

[Boosting protection. Russian military enlists mystical forces to its cause](#) (The Insider, 19 September)

International solidarity:

[Urgent appeal for medical aid for Ukraine from medical workers' union](#) (Ukraine Solidarity Campaign, 21 September)

Upcoming events:

[War and Punishment: Putin, Zelensky, and the Path to Russia's Invasion of Ukraine](#) (The Russia Program, September 2023)

[20 days in Mariupol](#) (Information about film launch, September 2023)

[Solidarity with workers on strike at Veolia: protest on 29 September](#) (Ukraine Solidarity Campaign)

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