# News from Ukraine Bulletin 69 (23 October 2023)

A Digest of News from Ukrainian sources

In this week's bulletin: Comment on "why Ukrainians should support
Palestinians"; more evidence of Russian torture; plus more on the deportation
of thousands of Ukrainian children; plus filtration and forced displacement;
plus new journal on the struggle for a social Ukraine. And much more

### News from the territories occupied by Russia:

Russia opens third prison in occupied Crimea to hold political prisoners and civilian hostages abducted from mainland Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 20<sup>th</sup>)

Russians take Ukrainian children from temporarily occupied territories on "educational trips" to Russia (Ukrainska Pravda, October 19th)

<u>Combating Illegal Deportation and Forced Displacement of Ukrainian Children: Return and Justice</u> (Tribunal for Putin, October 17<sup>th</sup>)

<u>Russia forced to close school in occupied Kherson oblast for lack of teachers willing to collaborate</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 17th)

Save Crimean political prisoners at risk: ZMINA organises an event in Brussels (Zmina, October 16th)

ECHR to consider the complaint concerning the case of Oleksii Kyselov, former commander of the Slavutych Ukrainian Navy ship (Tribunal for Putin, October 16th)

<u>Prominent lawyer defending Ukrainian political prisoners jailed in Russian-occupied Crimea</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 16<sup>th</sup>)

Russia stages 'trial' of young Ukrainians abducted and tortured into 'confessing' to terrorism (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 16th)

<u>Persecuted and detained: ZMINA shares stories of Crimean political prisoners at OSCE conference</u> (Zmina, October 7<sup>th</sup>)

### News from Ukraine – general:

<u>Russia has committed 2,500 environmental crimes in Ukraine since February 2022</u> (Ukrainska Pravda, October 21<sup>st</sup>)

<u>An innovative, green tech hub? How Ukrainians are looking to the future</u> (Open Democracy, October 20th)

One-third of humanitarian aid allegedly sent to military units "disappeared" (Ukrainska Pravda, October 20th)

<u>First sentences in Ukraine over mass murder of Maidan activists</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 19th)

30,000 civilians from Ukraine have gone missing since start of war (Ukrainska Pravda, October 19th)

A father who tried to resuscitate his son: the residents of a Zaporizhzhia apartment block destroyed by a Russian missile (Ukrainska Pravda, October 18<sup>th</sup>)

How Migration was Affected by Russia's Targeted Shelling of Kyiv in May 2023 (Opora, October 17th)

"With No Justice In Place, the War In Ukraine Will Extend to the Next Generations," Aivazovska (Opora, October 15<sup>th</sup>)

#### **Analysis and comment:**

Why Ukrainians should support Palestinians (Open Democracy, 19 October)

Commons Journal, №13. The Russian Invasion and the Ukrainian Left: the Struggle for a Social Ukraine (Commons.com, October 10<sup>th</sup>)

## Research of human rights abuses:

<u>UN Commission of Inquiry on Ukraine finds continued war crimes and human rights violations</u> gravely impacting civilians (UN, October 20<sup>th</sup>)

'With one strike, the plane destroyed six houses...' (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 19<sup>th</sup>)

<u>The Center for Civil Liberties participated in the Warsaw Human Dimension Conference. They discussed filtration, forced displacement, prisoners of war, and their ill-treatment</u> (Tribunal for Putin, October 19th)

<u>'I still have terrible dreams,' — Bucha City Council Manager</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 17<sup>th</sup>)

#### War-related news from Russia and Belarus:

Imprisoned Russian poet Alexander Byvshev charged with 'calls to terrorism' for poem condemning Russia's war against Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 20th)

"I'll go with my head held high" (Meduza, 20 October)

"Action is easier than inaction" (Posle Media, 19 October)

Russia seeks to strip a fourth lawyer of his licence after jailing him for defending Ukrainian political prisoners (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 19th)

"I hope I won't have to talk about the war" (Meduza, 18 October)

"Bath salts, overdoses and drug mules". Russian soldiers on the front line (Meduza, 18 October)

Russia's biolab lies may be a cover for its own crimes (Tribunal for Putin, October 16th)

#### International solidarity:

<u>"Be Like Nina!" campaign by health workers</u> (European Network for Solidarity With Ukraine, October)

Women around the world should unite against dictatorship: Discussion with participation of human rights defenders from different countries held in Kyiv (Zmina, October 15<sup>th</sup>)

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