

## News from Ukraine Bulletin 77 (December 17th 2023)

*A Digest of News from Ukrainian Sources*

**In this week's bulletin:** [Ukrainians reclassified as 'foreigners' in their own country](#); **plus** Ukrainians dying in [Russian custody](#) after beating; **plus** Russia's wholesale destruction of [Ukrainian literature](#); **plus** [Amnesty International](#) on crimes against Ukrainian children

### Christmas/New Year Timetable:

The bulletin will next appear on Thursday 28 December, and then on Monday 8 January. With season's greetings to all our supporters.

### News from the territories occupied by Russia:

[Polygraph to attest pro-Ukrainian position: Doctor from Kherson](#) (Tribunal for Putin December 16<sup>th</sup>)

[Door-to-door terror in occupied Ukraine as Russia about to classify Ukrainians as 'foreigners', likely rob and deport them](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 15<sup>th</sup>)

[Armed searches and surreal charges against Crimean Tatar Imam for leading prayers in Russian-occupied Crimea](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 14<sup>th</sup>)

[Russia destroys almost all Ukrainian literature in occupied Donbas, calling it 'extremist'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 12<sup>th</sup>)

[Amnesty International documents crimes against Ukrainian children in education](#) (Ukrainska Pravda December 12<sup>th</sup>)

['People came to get some food and were deliberately shot at'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 11<sup>th</sup>)

[Silent Deportation documentary about persecution of Crimean Tatars shown in Kyiv](#) (Zmina December 11<sup>th</sup>)

[The shifting demography of the Occupied Territories \(2022-2023\)](#) (Tribunal for Putin December 10<sup>th</sup>)

### News from Ukraine – general:

['An old lady's leg was torn off and her blood splashed on the granddaughter'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 16<sup>th</sup>)

['We were driving, and they were shooting at us'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 14<sup>th</sup>)

['Bodies were lying in the street. Neighbours covered them with blankets'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 13<sup>th</sup>)

[Ukrainian human rights defender Maksym Butkevych, who is held in captivity by the Russian Federation, has won the National Human Rights Award](#) (Centre for Civil Liberties December 13<sup>th</sup>)

['People were buried near the hospital'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 12<sup>th</sup>)

['Two enemy shells destroyed my house'](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 10<sup>th</sup>)

### **Analysis and comment:**

[The Demographic Impact of Russia's War](#) (Commons 15 December)

[What does the destruction of the Kakhovka HPP mean in terms of war crimes?](#) (Tribunal for Putin December 15<sup>th</sup>)

[How can the Ljubljana-The Hague Convention help the world and Ukraine in the fight against international crimes?](#) (Tribunal for Putin December 11<sup>th</sup>)

[Five Security Scenarios on Russian War in Ukraine for 2024-2025: Implications and Policy Recommendations to Western Partners](#) (GlobSec, December 7<sup>th</sup>)

[Why Ukraine's counteroffensive failed](#) (Euromaidan Press, December 7<sup>th</sup>)

[Russian attacks on Ukrainian libraries](#) (Alterpravo, December 2023)

### **Research of human rights abuses:**

[Captured Ukrainian soldiers used as human shield: Prosecutor's Office investigates Russian war crime](#) (Ukrainska Pravda December 14<sup>th</sup>)

[Ukrainian prisoner dies after savage beating by prison staff and refusal to provide medical care](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 13<sup>th</sup>)

[The approach of the Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group to documenting crimes and helping their victims](#) (Tribunal for Putin December 13<sup>th</sup>)

[Russia is hiding renowned Ukrainian POW & rights activist Maksym Butkevych in occupied Luhansk oblast](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 12<sup>th</sup>)

[Finland refuses to extradite Russian neo-Nazi Rusich fighter to Ukraine to face war crimes trial](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 11<sup>th</sup>)

[Human Rights Day 2023: commemorating the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights](#) (Centre for Civil Liberties December 10<sup>th</sup>)

[Many judgments on collaboration with enemy concern likes, shares on social networks — human rights activist](#) (Zmina December 8<sup>th</sup>)

### **War-related news from Russia:**

[These are the new criminal liabilities and steeper penalties the Russian authorities introduced in 2023 to keep the Kremlin's wartime repressions rolling](#) (Meduza December 15<sup>th</sup>)

[22-year-old Ukrainian jailed for 3 years for writing that Russia is destroying Ukraine](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 15<sup>th</sup>)

['Irritating to Authorities' How Russia's Justice Ministry decides who's a 'foreign agent'](#) (Meduza December 15<sup>th</sup>)

[War against Independent Culture: a Digest of Russian Protests](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 14<sup>th</sup>)

[Fears for the life of Alexei Gorinov, serving 7-year sentence for telling the truth about Russia's war against Ukraine](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 11<sup>th</sup>)

**International solidarity:**

[Arm Ukraine! An Open Letter From Human Rights Defenders To The Governments And Civil Societies Of Free And Democratic Nations](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group December 11th)

**Upcoming action:**

Saturday 24 February, 12noon. Two years resisting Russia's invasion. Protest at the Russian Embassy.

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