News from Ukraine Bulletin 75 (4 December 2023)

A Digest of News from Ukrainian sources

In this week's bulletin: A personal account of battle for Avdiivka; Ukrainian families seek truth about missing soldiers; Report from trade union delegation; More allegations of Russian torture and killing in detention and religious persecution.

News from the territories occupied by Russia:

'My mum's books survived Putin's missiles': defiance after blast destroys Kherson children's library (The Guardian, December 3rd)

Russia claims defending Ukraine is 'international terrorism' and sentences abducted Kherson man to 12 years (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 1st)

<u>'People were sitting without a piece of bread; everyone was afraid to get near here'</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 30th)

<u>Russian invaders torture former Ukrainian defender to death in occupied Kherson oblast</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 30th)

Russian invaders vandalize and plunder remembrance of Holodomor in occupied Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 29th)

<u>Show trial begins in Russia of 25-year-old Iryna Navalna seized in Mariupol and tortured because of her name</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 28th)

Russia sentences Crimean Tatar to over ten years on 'terrorism' charges for religious discussion in 2015 (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 28th)

<u>First huge sentence in Russia's cynical 'international terrorism trials' of Ukrainians abducted from illegally occupied Ukraine</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 27th)

<u>New armed terror against independent religious community in Russian-occupied Crimea</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 27th)

News from Ukraine - general:

<u>2,000 civilians killed in Russian bombardments this year – Ukraine's Interior Ministry</u> (Ukrainska Pravda, December 1st)

<u>Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare</u> (Centre for Civil Liberties, November 30th)

<u>"Leaving never crossed my mind." How doctors saved lives in inhumane conditions</u> (Commons.com.ua, 14 November)

"Give me my bones." Ukrainian families fight for truth about missing soldiers (Open Democracy, 27 November)

<u>The Russian invasion of Ukraine: a personal account of the battle for Avdiivka</u> (Frontelligence Insight, 1 December)

Analysis and comment:

Statement on the need to ensure transparent, meaningful, and inclusive public consultations on the draft laws on lobbying (Opora, November 30th)

What's at stake in Russia's assault on Avdiivka? (Reuters, 27 November)

Research of human rights abuses:

<u>10-month-old Ukrainian child abducted to Russia had her name changed</u> (Ukrainska Pravda, November 30th)

<u>A Russian shot at me from a helicopter — Stepan Boiarchuk, Zahaltsi village</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, November 29th)

War-related news from Russia:

<u>Imprisoned Russian historian of the Soviet Terror Yury Dmitriev recognized as New Righteous of the Nations</u> (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 1st)

"They fell into the trap." Railway explosion in Siberia (Meduza, 1 December)

Russian soldiers bribing superiors to avoid combat (Meduza, 29 November)

Cannons won't feed a nation. Reports of Russian GDP growth (The Insider, 29 November)

International solidarity:

The war on Ukraine: Eyewitness report from trade union delegation - YouTube (November 27th)

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