

## News from Ukraine Bulletin 125 (9 December 2024)

*A Digest of News from Ukrainian sources – also attached as a PDF*

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### News from the territories occupied by Russia:

Young Crimean [sentenced to 16 years](#) for circulating video on resistance to Russian occupation (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 6<sup>th</sup>)

Russian court blocks [Crimean Tatar political prisoners](#) from 'dragging out the trial' by challenging fake prosecution witness (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 6<sup>th</sup>)

A deadly graduation: [one in four Donetsk cadets died in war](#) (iStories, 5 December)

Intimidation, [torture, abduction of relatives](#): Russia's persecution of Ukrainian journalists in occupied areas (Ukrainska Pravda, December 5<sup>th</sup>)

Trials of Ukrainian civilians and prisoners of war in Russia and occupied territories are a [war crime](#) – human rights defenders (Zmina, December 5<sup>th</sup>)

Russians [torture Mayor of Dniprorudne](#) Yevhen Matveyev to death (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 5<sup>th</sup>)

Russia brings 'spying' charges after [abducting and torturing](#) young Ukrainian with serious psychiatric condition (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 4<sup>th</sup>)

Ukraine collects [evidence on war criminal](#) who trains Crimean schoolchildren for war against Ukraine (Ukrainska Pravda, December 3<sup>rd</sup>)

Three Ukrainian teenagers [face possible life sentences](#) in latest Russian show trial (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 3<sup>rd</sup>)

More than 1000 cases of 'discrediting Russian army': [a chronicle of persecution of pro-Ukrainian Crimeans](#) (Crimea Human Rights Group, 2 December)

Russian teachers [trained to 'reform' Ukrainian children](#) in occupied Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Long sentences for [Ukrainians tortured](#) into confessing to fake Crimean assassination plot (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 2<sup>nd</sup>)

### The situation at the front:

Weekly war summary: [fighting near Pokrovsk, Russians encircle Kurakhove](#) (The Insider, 7 December)

A [thousand people](#) trapped (Tribunal for Putin, December 5<sup>th</sup>)

### News from Ukraine – general:

Trials of Ukrainian civilians and prisoners of war in Russia and occupied territories are a [war crime](#) – human rights defenders (Zmina, December 5<sup>th</sup>)

Human [rights activists demand](#) preservation of ministry for war victims (Zmina, December 6<sup>th</sup>)

12 [Ukrainian hromadas will participate](#) in the SUN4Ukraine project (Cedos, December 5<sup>th</sup>)

In Ukraine, Real [Desire to Sacrifice Oneself](#) for State is Very Weak (Socialist Project, December 4<sup>th</sup>)

Meeting with [NGO representatives at the Office of the President](#): steps to return deported Ukrainian children discussed (Zmina, December 3<sup>rd</sup>)

New [EU leadership](#) met with Ukrainian NGOs (Zmina, December 2<sup>nd</sup>)

“Our strength is in building networks”: an [event dedicated to the Day of Protection for Women Human Rights Defenders](#) took place in Kyiv (Zmina, December 1<sup>st</sup>)

### War-related news from Russia:

Half-reward, half-trial: [Putin appoints political veteran as Kursk governor](#) (Meduza, 6 December)

Neo-Nazi attacks [make a comeback](#), thanks to nostalgia, internet and war (Meduza, 6 December)

Weaponised patriotism: [Russian doctors keep quiet about war and politics](#) (Meduza, 5 December)

How Russia targets digital infrastructure: [War and network control](#) (Posle.Media, 4 December)

Even after doubling sign-on bonus, [Russia's army recruitment is falling](#) (Meduza, 4 December)

### Analysis and comment:

The need for a [ministry of national unity](#) (Crimea Human Rights Group, 6 December)

Do a majority of Ukrainians [want to stop fighting?](#) (South London Socialist, 5 December)

Yevhen Zakharov: ['...And that's when we created KHPG'](#) (Kharkiv HRG, December 5th)

Statement on the [death of the mayor of the city of Dniprorudne](#), Yevhenii Matvieiev, in Russian captivity (Zmina, December 4<sup>th</sup>)

Open Letter on Improving the [Anti-Corruption Infrastructure](#) in Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, December 3<sup>rd</sup>)

Independent [Trade Union of Miners of Ukraine leader Yuriy Samoilov](#): ‘More than war fatigue, what we have is apathy. Most people no longer expect anything.’ (Links, December 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Intersections of [the Peripheries: sessions from a conference organised by Commons journal, Ukraine](#) (Commons.com.ua, November 12<sup>th</sup>)

Trade unions and social dialogue: [an interview with Vitaly Dudin](#) (Commons.com.ua, 12 November)

### Research of human rights abuses:

Review of [human rights situation in Crimea, Jul-Sep 2024](#) (Crimea Human Rights Group, 5 December)

Russia forcibly [transferred at least 314 Ukrainian children](#) to Russian families: new Yale Lab report (Zmina, December 3rd)

### International solidarity:

Support [Ukraine's Resilient Workers](#): Provide Generators (Ukraine Solidarity Network US, December)

Winter Without Darkness: [autonomous energy for fighters](#) (Solidarity Collectives, 6 December)

Support [the fundraiser for Alexey Rozhkov](#) (Solidarity Zone, 5 December)

### Upcoming events:

**Saturday 15 February 2025 11AM — 4PM, Conference: End the Russian invasion and occupation.**  
National Education Union, Mabledon Place, London, WC1H 9BD. [Register here.](#)

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