

News from Ukraine Bulletin 206 (July 26th, 2026)

A Digest of News from Ukrainian Sources

In this week's bulletin: The war's [deepening effect on civilians](#); the disappearance of [political prisoner Andrei Trofimov](#); International Solidarity [Convoy to Ukraine announced](#); teenage [saboteurs in](#) Russia; [homelessness](#) in Ukraine.

News from the territories occupied by Russia:

Occupiers [attacked a house in](#) Kharkiv: One dead and 12 injured, including children (ZN, UA, July 26th)

The Face of Resistance: The Story of [Political Prisoner Ametkhan Abdulvapov](#) (Crimea Platform, July 24th)

ECHR Rules [Deprivation of Land Property Rights in Occupied Crimea Unlawful](#) (Crimea Platform, July 24th)

Chersonese in Russian-occupied Crimea [added to UNESCO List of World Heritage](#) in Danger (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 24th)

Two young Ukrainians [sentenced to 15 & 20 years for fictitious 'international terrorism'](#) near Russian-occupied Melitopol (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 24th)

Satellite images [reveal Crimea's deepening energy crisis](#) and risk of full-scale humanitarian disaster as Ukrainian strikes hit the peninsula's power grid (Meduza, July 23rd)

Russia sentences [59-year-old Maryna Kovalenko whose son is defending Ukraine to 13 years](#) for 'treason' (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 23rd)

Weekly [update on the situation](#) in occupied Crimea (Crimea Platform, July 22nd)

A [civilian prisoner from Mariupol](#) is in critical condition (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 22nd)

Vital Crimean Solidarity human rights movement forced to terminate activities after Russia labels it a '[foreign](#) agent' (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 21st)

Mass '[treason / spying trials](#)' and [huge sentences](#) for supporting Ukraine under Russian occupation (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 21st)

News from Ukraine:

Shopping [centre on fire in](#) Kryvyi Rih after "Shaheed" attack (ZN, UA, July 26th)

Fires and [destruction in three districts of Kyiv](#): State emergency service showed the consequences of the enemy attack on the capital (ZN, UA, July 26th)

The Streets Are Asking [Questions the Leaders Cannot Answer](#) in Ukraine (International Viewpoint, July 24th)

Russia's [escalating port attacks choke Ukraine's grain exports](#) as industry nears crisis (Kyiv Independent, July 24th)

Fedorov [turns down Zelensky's offers, seeks return only](#) as defense minister (Kyiv Independent, July 23rd)

Ukraine: “The real question is [what kind of state Ukraine](#) is becoming” (ESSF, July 23rd)

Why [Ukraine's military shake-up is really a fight over](#) how to win the war (Meduza, July 22nd)

Ukraine conflict [has deepening effect on](#) civilians (UNHCR, July 21st)

Progress of the war:

How does [a general who resigned over the deaths of 12 soldiers](#) return a year later to lead Ukraine's army? Meet Mykhailo Drapatyi the new commander-in-chief (Meduza, July 22nd)

“He saw a document — 19,500 losses from the Airborne Forces”: [Confessions of a Russian headquarters sergeant](#) who fled the front (The Insider, July 21st)

Ukrainian [regiment claims capture of 64 Russian soldiers](#) in Zaporizhzhia oblast (Kyiv Independent, July 20th)

How drones [came to decide the war in](#) Ukraine, and why no army has found the weapon that stops them (Meduza, July 20th)

War-related news from Russia:

Russia [to extend gasoline export ban](#) until end of year (ZN, UA, July 26th)

Off-season: How the [war has devastated tourism](#) in Russia (The Insider, July 25th)

Oil [superpower queues up for petrol from](#) India. Will it help Russia? (Ukrainska Pravda, July 25th)

How Ukraine's [strikes on Wildberries warehouses put Russians](#) in a real jam (Kyiv Independent, July 25th)

Sitting on two chairs: How [Russian universities support war, but remain in world rankings](#) and maintain international ties (ZN, UA, July 25th)

Berries out of the fire. Ukrainian [drone campaign repeatedly hits](#) Wildberries, Russia's biggest online retailer (Mediazona, July 24th)

How [close is Russia to a fuel](#) collapse? Economist explains (ZN, UA, July 24th)

Russia passes 'civil death' legislation [to freeze exiled critics' money, block their passports, and cut off](#) consular aid (Meduza, July 23rd)

Teenage saboteurs. 240 minors [were accused of sabotage in Russia since the start](#) of the full-scale war against Ukraine (Mediazona, July 21st)

In The [Fuel Crisis Gripping Russia's Hinterlands](#), Worries For Tractors, Winter Hay, And Cows (Radio Free Europe, July 20th)

Melitopol [mother of three sentenced to 18 years](#) because of successful Ukrainian strike against Russian invaders (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 20th)

Russia stages a 'dance performance' with [sickening lies](#) about its downing of Malaysian airliner MH17 (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 20th)

No contact with [political prisoner Andrei Trofimov](#) since April (Memorial, July 14th)

Comment and analysis:

The Rules of the Street: Informal [hierarchies and mutual aid among homeless](#) people (Commons, July 23rd)

One year after the attack on NABU and SAPO: [ZMINA presents study](#) on systemic pressure on anti-corruption actors (Zmina, July 21st)

Struggling to Hold the Heights: The [Evolution of Far-Right](#) in the Russian Federation, 2025–2026 (Red Threads, July 21st)

Buryatia [shows what happens when Russia](#) runs out of volunteers (Kyiv Independent, July 21st)

From launchpad to strategic rear: How [Belarus evolved into a critical enabler](#) of Russia's war in Ukraine (The Insider, July 21st)

Research of human rights abuses:

Alena Lunova took part in a meeting of the [International Coalition for the Return of Ukrainian Children](#) (Zmina, July 17th)

Ukrainian [Civilian Detainees Held](#) By Russia (IPHR, July 8th)

International solidarity:

International Solidarity [Convoy to Ukraine announced](#) for November (Labour Hub, July 25th)

`Strengthening solidarity with Ukraine' – Motion [to Green Party autumn conference](#) 2026 (USC, July 24th)

Free the [detained Zaporizhzhia nuclear workers! Motion](#) to TUC Congress 2026 (USC, July 24th)

Also not to be missed:

“Soldiers [in the trenches don't think about](#) politics. I see death in their eyes” (Eastern Frontier Initiative, July 24th)

Kazakhstan's Tokayev [tells Putin it is time](#) to “freeze” Russia's war against Ukraine (Ukrainska Pravda, July 25th)

Politics, [Work, and Care](#) in Women's Exile (Posle, July 22nd)

Victims of wars and mass atrocities in Ukraine and across the globe need the International Criminal Court. [Unite and stand for justice](#) (Zmina, July 17th)

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