

News from Ukraine Bulletin 204 (13 July 2026)

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

In this week's bulletin: 100,000+ Russian war [crimes](#)/ Russian [indoctrination](#) of children/ [torture](#) of Ukrainian journalists/ Putin's [ties to Israel](#)/ Elite Ukrainian regiment [torture allegations](#)/ Ukraine [Recovery Conference](#)/ Russia fuel [crisis](#)/

News from the territories occupied by Russia:

Russia passes [revenge life sentences](#) against a Hero of Ukraine and three other marine commanders for defending Mariupol (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 10th)

Russians sentence [terrorized 20-year-old Mariupol woman](#) to 13 years on 'treason' charges (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 10th)

Civilians [Trapped in Occupied Khersonska](#) Region (Human Rights Watch, July 9th)

52-year-old Ukrainian [political prisoner Ibragim Kudzhanov dies](#) in Russian captivity (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 9th)

Weekly update on the [situation in occupied Crimea](#) (Crimea Platform, July 8th)

Crimeans given [long sentences for 'calls to terrorism' – comments on social](#) media in support of Ukraine against Russian aggressor (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 8th)

Russia ignores [urgent medical condition](#) and increases monstrous sentence against 68-year-old Halyna Bekhter for supporting Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 7th)

Ukrainian [journalists unlawfully imprisoned](#) by Russia (Zmina, July 6th)

'I will never betray my faith': Artem Gerasimov, a [political prisoner from Crimea](#), has served his sentence and been released (Crimea Platform, July 6th)

Russia to [indoctrinate children](#) in occupied Ukraine with invented 'history of Donbas & Novorossiia textbook' (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 6th)

Ukrainian [Jehovah's Witness faces 6-year sentence](#) on charge of 'financing extremist activities' for shared worship (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 6th)

Report: [Life Under Occupation](#) (Alternative Human Rights Centre, June 2026)

News from Ukraine:

Commander of scandal hit Ukraine brigade [wanted for murder](#) (Kyiv Independent, July 12th)

'Educational conversations': [rioters and recruiters in Lviv](#) (Meduza, 10 July)

For second time in 4 days, [Russia targets Kyiv with mass missile attack](#), killing at least 26 (Kyiv Independent, July 6th)

Russian [missile hits residential building](#) in Kyiv: 9 killed, 46 injured (Ukrainska Pravda, July 6th)

The "Skelya" assault regiment has combat merits. And, according to eyewitnesses, [they torture and beat people to death there](#) (Babel, June 23rd)

A soldiers' [union is formed in Ukraine](#) (International Viewpoint, June 14th)

War-related news from Russia:

More than 230,000 Russian soldiers [killed in Ukraine](#) (Kyiv Independent July 12th)

Russia restricts foreign SIM cards, [blocking censorship circumvention](#) (Ukrainska Pravda, July 12)

Investigation: [how severe is Russia's gasoline crisis?](#) (Meduza, 10 July)

Russian [anti-war activist deported from Turkey and detained](#) (Meduza, 10 July)

Crimean artist and political prisoner [Bohdan Ziza transferred to a penal colony](#) in Ulan-Ude (Crimea Platform, July 9th)

Drone deference: [firms fined for failing to protect employees from attack](#) (Mediazona, 9 July)

Pump fiction: [queues and empty tanks in Russian petrol stations](#) (Mediazona, 8 July)

"Russian Houses": [Russia's Instruments of Influence](#) on Youth Abroad (Crimea Platform, July 8th)

Urban scholars write: [Participatory governance, à la Russe](#) (Posle.Media, 8 July)

Putin's ties to Israel: [Best Frenemies Ever](#) (Radical Dumping, July 8th)

Comment and analysis:

Who Is [Ukraine's Recovery Really For?](#) (Jacobin, July 11th)

Podcast: the [Russia-Ukraine war](#) and the Left (Victor's Children / Soundcloud, July 8th)

Who Pays for Ukraine? [Debt, Conditionality, and the Limits of European Solidarity](#) (Europe Solidaire Sans Frontieres, July 8th)

Soviet [Romanticism](#) (161 Crew, January 19th)

Research of human rights abuses:

More than [100,000 documented incidents of international crimes](#): how civil society organisations are bringing justice closer (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, July 7th)

Ukrainian [journalists unlawfully imprisoned](#) by Russia (Zmina, July 6th)

Torture, isolation and fabricated cases: Ukraine's Foreign Ministry urged the release of [Ukrainian journalists unlawfully imprisoned by Russia](#) (Zmina, July 3rd)

Calling Russians to account, caring for victims, establishing truth, and providing guarantees: [four pillars of transitional justice](#). Interview with Maksym Yeligulashvili (Babel, June 24th)

Also not to be missed:

64-page zine about [cultures of remembrance](#) (Solidarity Collectives, 10 July)

France denies asylum to [journalist who exposed Russian operations in Africa](#) (iStories, 9 July)

The [communist menace](#) (The Russian Reader, 6 July)

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