

News from Ukraine Bulletin 212 (September 13th, 2026)

A Digest of News from Ukrainian Sources

In this week's bulletin: [More](#) evidence of Russian torture; [Russia's Crimes against Ukrainian Women](#); citizens told to [flee Donbas cities](#); fighting [corruption](#) in Ukraine; the [war and the Russian](#) economy; life [under siege](#) in Kyiv

News from the territories occupied by Russia:

The Mission Discussed the [Situation in Occupied Crimea](#) and Strengthening the Policy of Non-Recognition of the Occupation (Crimea Platform, September 11th)

Melitopol husband and wife sentenced [to 20 & 18 years after describing Russian abduction and torture](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 11th)

Russia doubles to 21 years its sentence against [savagely tortured Crimean Tatar](#) political prisoner Mamut Belyalov (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 11th)

Inside [Russia's FSB prison system in](#) Crimea (Kyiv Independent, September 11th)

Russia comes for [father of 19-year-old Crimean Tatar political prisoner](#) after he actively sought her release (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 10th)

Weekly [update on the situation](#) in occupied Crimea (Crimea Platform, September 9th)

Russia sentences [husband and wife, abducted from occupied Kherson oblast](#), to 16 and 12 years for supporting Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 8th)

New depths plummeted in Russia's [torment of Crimean Tatar political prisoner](#) with a malignant brain tumour (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 7th)

Russia sentences [abducted 64-year-old Melitopol journalist](#) to 15 years after holding her incommunicado since 2023 (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 7th)

Progress of the war:

Russian [losses in the war with](#) Ukraine. Mediazona count updated. (Mediazona, September 11th)

Civilians [told to flee Ukraine's fortress cities](#) as Russia bids to control Donbas (BBC, September 11th)

Why pay rent just to [sleep in the metro](#) (Counteroffensive News, September 10th)

Putin dismisses [rumors of another mobilization as](#) `nonsense'. But can Russia keep fighting without another draft? (Meduza, September 10th)

Ukrainian sea [drones strike Sochi waterfront, injuring nearly 30](#). Photos and video from the scene (Meduza, September 10th)

Russian [sky on the castle. Is it](#) real? (ZN, UA, September 4th)

How many [more missiles does Russia have](#) – and can it keep firing them? (Kyiv Independent, September 3rd)

News from Ukraine:

Risk of [humanitarian catastrophe](#): UN "very worried" about upcoming winter in Ukraine (Ukrainska Pravda, September 13th)

Russian strike on shopping centre in [Pavlohrad: death toll rises to five](#), 67 injured – photos, video (Ukrainska Pravda, September 10th)

Top officials of the Luhansk region are [suspected of embezzling](#) UAH 5 million from state procurement (Babel, September 10th)

Ukraine's [readiness to implement the EU methane regulation: Initial](#) assessment (Razom We Stand, September 9th)

How a [corruption scandal and loyalty to Zelensky](#) brought down Ukraine's prosecutor general (Kyiv Independent, September 9th)

`Kyiv is gasping for breath'. Russia's [escalating attacks are upending daily life in the Ukrainian](#) capital. Here's how residents are coping (Meduza, September 9th)

Unpublished audits [obtained by the New York Times show Ukraine ignored red flags](#) in defense procurement as the country lost at least \$1.2 billion to fraud, waste and mismanagement in 2024 alone (Meduza, September 7th)

Majority Russian-speaking city in Ukraine [considers language ban](#) in the arts (BBC, September 6th)

Rail Sector: [Italy, Pakistan, Senegal](#), Ukraine (International Labour Network of Solidarity and Struggle, September 6th)

What's behind [the standoff between Ukraine's two intelligence](#) agencies? (Kyiv Independent, September 4th)

`Hanging by a thread' - [Kyiv under psychological siege amid ceaseless](#) strikes (Kyiv Independent, September 4th)

War-related news from Russia:

Electric shock [torture and a meeting with Victoria](#) Roshchyna: What Ukrainian journalist Iryna Levchenko told the court in the Kapralov family case (Mediazona, September 11th)

War eating [away at Russia's](#) economy (Posle Media, September 9th)

The Georgy [Pirogov case and Russia's high](#) treason epidemic (The Russian Reader, September 6th)

Research into human rights abuses:

New DIGNITY [country infographic on Ukraine:](#) access to justice in times of war (Zmina, September 9th)

KHPG and ADC Memorial Inform UN CEDAW Committee about [Russia's Crimes against Ukrainian Women](#) (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 7th)

ZMINA and OMCT submitted a report to the UN Committee against Torture on [Ukraine's implementation of recommendations](#) issued at its 82nd session (Zmina, September 7th)

A study on the prosecution of those involved in [enforced disappearances](#) was presented to diplomatic missions and international organisations (Centre for Civil Liberties, September 7th)

Comment and analysis:

How Ukraine's [biggest corruption scheme persisted despite all](#) odds (Kyiv Independent, September 12th)

Are Ukrainians [capable of turning experience into](#) knowledge? (The Ukrainer, September 11th)

Ukrainian [Urban Forum 2026 in](#) Cherkasy (Cedos, September 11th)

The Democratic Centralists in Ukraine: [Challenging Stalin and the Russian](#) Leadership (Commons, September 9th)

How to make [social protection reform in hromadas more](#) effective: Findings from an expert workshop (Cedos, September 9th)

Russian empire, social dynamics and [where Marxism goes from here](#) (People and Nature, September 7th)

International solidarity:

22 trade unions [call for UK government to push to free imprisoned Zaporizhzhia](#) nuclear workers (USC, September 12th)

Free the [Zaporizhzhia power](#) workers (Anti-Capitalist Resistance, September 8th)

Also not to be missed:

Zine [about culture of](#) remembrance (Solidarity Collectives, September 13th)

Issues concerning [residents of occupied territories](#) must be part of negotiations – ZMINA (Zmina, September 7th)

A summer [in Ukraine](#) (International Viewpoint, September 7th)

Upcoming events;

UKRAINIAN WORKERS UNDER ATTACK AND OCCUPATION - FREE THE ZAPORIZHZHIA
15 - FREE UKRAINE 5.45pm, Tuesday 15th September – Harbour Hotel, 64 Kings Road, Brighton BN1

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