

News from Ukraine Bulletin 215 (5 October 2026)

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

In this week's bulletin: Ivanka 'Hayka' Kutsenko [killed](#)/ [Miners' union](#) and [union federation](#) appeals over Russian attacks/ [Evidence](#) of Russian torture/ [Oleshky](#) under [seige](#)/ Religious [terror in occupied territories](#)/ Widespread Russian [attacks on civilians](#)

News from the territories occupied by Russia:

Russia sentences [Yalta musician to 22 years](#) for latest claim of a 'Ukrainian terrorist plot' (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 2nd)

Melitopol [woman sentenced to 13 years](#) for unwavering loyalty to Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, October 2nd)

Russia: [A Menu of Death](#) in Ukraine's Small Towns (Centre for European Policy Analysis, October 1st)

Four years in [total isolation after Russia abducts and tortures](#) young Mariupol woman Iryna Navalna (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 30th)

Weekly [update on the situation in occupied Crimea](#) (Crimea Platform, September 29th)

Russia throws [dying Crimean Tatar political prisoner](#) into a punishment cell (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 29th)

Crimean [sentenced to 20 years on a 'confession'](#) she signed after Russian FSB threatened to imprison her underage son (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, September 28th)

Progress of the war:

Russia striking [bridges across the Dnipro](#) for the first time (Meduza, 4 October)

Drone attacks [disrupt power supply](#) near Zaporizhzhia nuclear plant (Kyiv Independent, 3 Oct)

The winter war: [Ukraine is prepping for another season](#) of Russian attacks before the cold sets in (The Insider, October 3rd)

A Time to Reap: [Ukraine's Operation Vivaldi](#) (Centre for European Policy Analysis, October 2nd)

New York Times claims [Russia plans to cripple Ukraine power grid](#) (Meduza, 2 October)

"Do you know what the Oleshki morgue is?" – what a [humanitarian disaster](#) looks like (New Eastern Europe, October 2nd)

Ukraine [strikes defence plants, oil facilities](#) in Russia (Kyiv Independent 28 Sept)

News from Ukraine:

Ivanka 'Hayka' Kutsenko [was killed](#) (Solidarity Collectives, 2 October) / Interview [with 'Hayka'](#) (Solidarity Collectives, 2 October) / Tributes from 'Hayka's comrades on facebook [here](#) and [here](#)

US-Ukraine fund signs [first mineral deal worth \\$30 million](#) (Zn.ua, 3 October)

Natalia [escaped from Oleshky](#) with her 84-year-old mother (Babel, September 29th)

Zelensky staffer's associates get [property worth \\$1 million](#) (Kyiv Independent, 29 Sept)

Over 70% of Ukrainians [hold Zelensky responsible](#) for corruption amongst his allies (Kyiv Independent, 28 Sept)

War-related news from Russia:

'They are waiting for me to die': [political prisoner, released due to cancer, is locked up again](#) (Mediazona, 2 October)

A useful ritual: [Why authoritarian regimes still need elections](#) — and why Russia's model is weakening (The Insider, October 1st)

Enough for two more years of war: [Russia's economy just won't slip into recession](#) (Ukrainska Pravda, 30 Sept)

Comment and analysis:

Miners' Union Appeals over Intensified [Russian Attacks on Ukrainian Workers](#) and Trade Unions (Confederation of Free Trade Unions of Ukraine, October 2nd)

Appeal [to international labour movement](#) (Confederation of Free Trade Unions of Ukraine, 30 September)

Research of human rights abuses:

Russia's methodical [use of starvation in Oleshky](#) (Kyiv Independent, 1 Oct)

Religious [Terror in the Temporarily Occupied Territories](#) (International Partnership for Human Rights, September 2026)

Also not to be missed:

The Everywhere War: [sub-threshold warfare tracker](#) (Sahaidachnyi Security Centre, October)

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