News from Ukraine Bulletin 94 (22 April 2024)

A Digest of News from Ukrainian sources

In this week's bulletin: Ukrainian joint trade union appeal; plus could 2022 peace talks have succeeded?; plus early years of Russian invasion; plus evidence of Russian abduction / forced disappearances and torture and religious persecution

News from the territories occupied by Russia:

Russians bring propaganda dictionaries to schools in occupied Luhansk (Ukrainska Pravda, April 21st)

Horrific sentences against <u>Ukrainians accused</u> of 'international terrorism' for opposing Russian occupation (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 19th)

Russian occupation 'court' <u>convicts Jehovah's Witness of 'extremism'</u> for reading excerpts from the Bible (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 18th)

Ukrainians in occupation are <u>under constant pressure</u> and do not understand what awaits them after the liberation of the territories – Onysiia Syniuk (Zmina, April 17th)

Ukrainian children <u>brainwashed in Russia's 'Youth Army'</u> into wanting to fight against Ukraine (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 17th)

Crimean Tatar political prisoner <u>diagnosed with tuberculosis</u>, other life-threatening conditions contracted in Russian captivity (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 16th)

Solo 'trials' after <u>Russia stages mass arrests</u> claiming Ukrainian attack on Crimean occupation officials (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 16th)

Russian invaders turn Kherson oblast culture centre into <u>torture chamber</u> for 'unreliable' Ukrainians (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 15th)

Russia incriminates itself through 'trial' of Ukrainian <u>abducted 7 years</u> ago in occupied Donbas (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 15th)

News from Ukraine - general:

Ukraine's Human Rights Commissioner reveals how many <u>Ukrainians are missing</u> under special circumstances (Ukrainska Pravda, April 16th)

Tetiana Pechonchyk <u>presented a manual</u> from the CJE on self-regulation of Ukrainian media during the war (Zmina, April 16th)

"Dying isn't as bad as being a Russian POW": <u>Freed Ukrainian soldiers</u> speak out about their time in Russian captivity (The Insider, April 15th)

War-related news from Russia:

Russia's meat grinder soldiers - 50,000 confirmed dead (BBC, April 18th)

'Business as usual' How some E.U. companies are <u>sending Russia parts</u> for warships, sanctions be damned (Meduza, April 16th)

Russian Activist Who Helped Ukrainian Refugees Dies in Custody (Moscow Times, April 8th)

Analysis and comment:

Brave New Ukraine: How the World's Most Besieged Democracy Is Adjusting to <u>Permanent War</u> (Foreign Affairs, April 19th)

Quid prodest? What happened in the early years of Russian aggression against Ukraine? (Posle Media, 18 April)

The Talks That Could Have Ended the War in Ukraine (Foreign Affairs, April 16th)

Anarchists should not be spreading Putinist propaganda (Autonom, February 10th)

Research of human rights abuses:

'Words cannot express what we experienced,' — <u>a resident</u> of the village of Zahaltsi (Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group, April 21st)

Strategic threat in the Strategic Plan (Tribunal for Putin, April 21st)

Anniversary of the <u>arrest warrants</u> for Putin and Lvova-Belova for deportation of Ukrainian children: What did it bring and what happens next? (Opora, April 19th)

Forced disappearances in the Kharkiv Region: analytical review (Tribunal for Putin, April 18th)

Stories of victims of <u>enforced disappearances</u> were heard at the PACE session in Strasbourg (Zmina, April 18th)

Speech at the <u>opening of the Fourth Readings</u> in memory of Arseniy Roginsky (Tribunal for Putin, April 14th)

International solidarity:

Ukrainian unions' urgent joint appeal on amplified Russian aggression (19 April)

Support the fundraiser for Ilya Baburin's legal defence! (Solidarity Zone, 17 April)

Upcoming solidarity events:

UCU members for Ukraine webinar: <u>Ukraine's economy and post-war reconstruction</u>, Thursday 25 April, 7.0pm UK time.

Freedom for Maksym Butkevych: on line campaign event, Tuesday May 14th, 7.0pm UK time

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