



Crimean Tatar
Resource Center

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INTRODUCTORY WORD

The year 2023 marked the continuation of Russia's full-scale military aggression against Ukraine, hopes for a counteroffensive by the Armed Forces of Ukraine, the deoccupation of Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine, and work under the conditions of full-scale war. In these circumstances, the support of partner donor organizations remained a crucial factor.

In its work, the Crimean Tatar Resource Center (CTRC) emphasized the consolidation of Ukrainian society, raising international awareness to support Ukraine, and reducing Russia's influence within international organizations.

The year 2023 also marked a continuation of strengthening the institutional development of the CTRC. The "CTRC Strategy" was reviewed and extended for 2023–2025; a fundraising strategy for 2023–2025 and a communication strategy for 2023 were developed, a brand book was created, the website was updated, and the number of social media followers increased (in particular, on Facebook, the number reached 80,000).

The CTRC continued to document human rights violations not only in Crimea but also in the newly occupied territories of Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions.

In 2023, for the first time, the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, Dunja Mijatović, published a special report on the situation of human rights violations against the Indigenous Crimean Tatar Peoples in occupied Crimea. The CTRC closely cooperated with the Commissioner's Office, providing materials

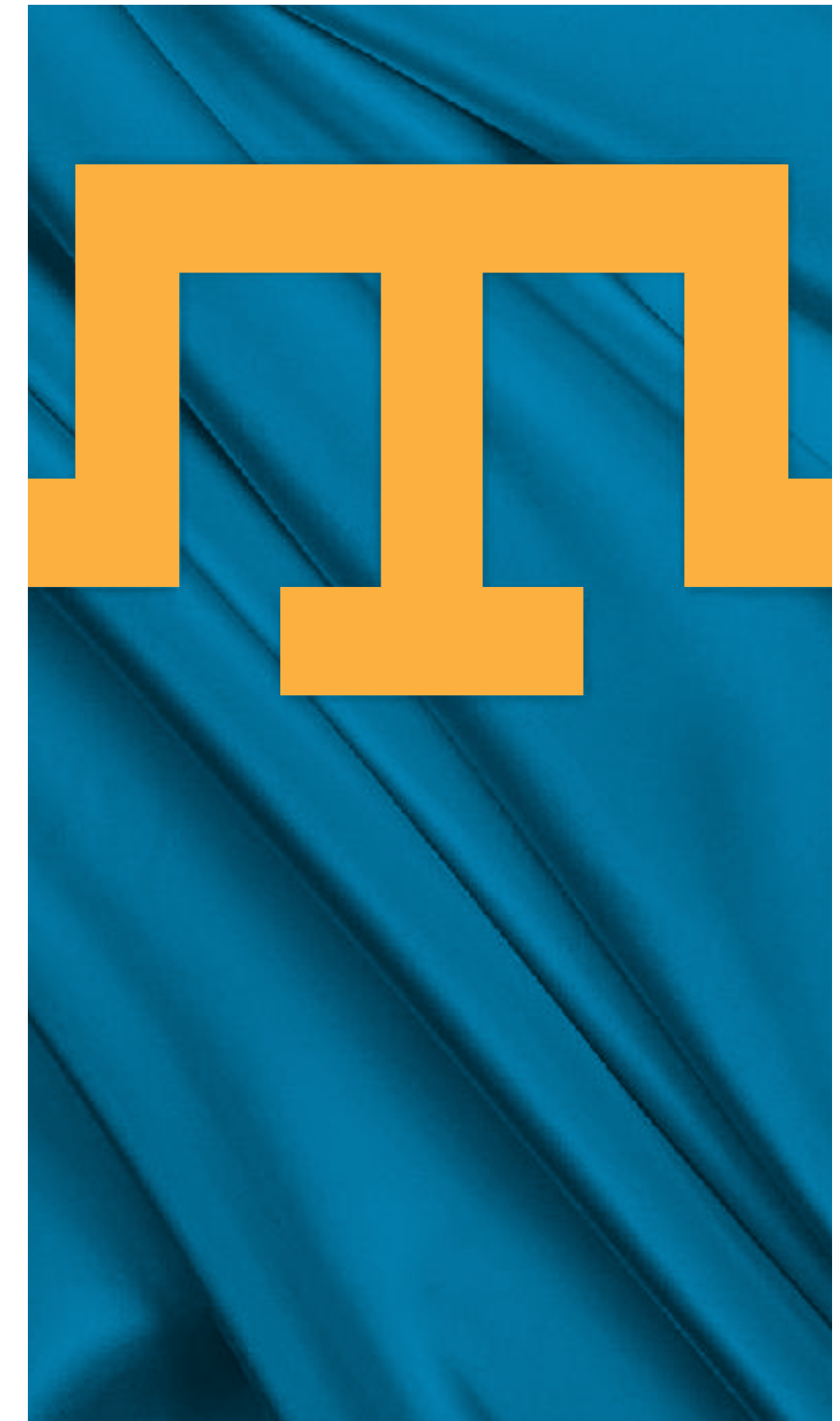
and recommendations for the report.

The CTRC identified 100 individuals who, within Crimea, promote propaganda of the Russian regime and its armed aggression against Ukraine. The relevant list was submitted to the National Police of Ukraine and the Prosecutor's Office of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and Sevastopol City.

The CTRC continued its active work in the information sphere. During the year, 11 information campaigns and 6 billboard campaigns were conducted, focusing on the situation in occupied Crimea and the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine. In total, at least 5,366,785 people in Ukraine and abroad were reached through social media, while billboard campaigns reached 17,748,305 people.

The CTRC initiated cooperation with socially responsible Ukrainian businesses as part of the campaigns. In particular, "Qırım azbarı" Café and "Sofra" Coffeehouse in Lviv joined the campaign by placing stickers featuring CTRC campaign posters in their premises. The CTRC launched the information campaign "The Future of Crimea," aimed at promoting a model of the future of Crimea consisting of five key areas.

The CTRC also held the first 2 Strategic Forums titled "The Future of Crimea." Recommendations were developed regarding the reintegration of Crimea, taking into account the collective rights of the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine, as well as recommendations to the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Strategy for the Deoccupation and Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied



Territory of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the City of Sevastopol.

The CTRC developed a unique Telegram chatbot titled “Taking Care about IDPs (Turbota),” which is the only service of its kind in Ukraine tailored to the needs of internally displaced persons, including representatives of the Indigenous Peoples and national minorities (communities) of Ukraine.

The CTRC continued its active cooperation with universities and research institutions. In particular, a memorandum of cooperation was signed with the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute.

The CTRC systematically updates the interactive charts “Victims of the Occupation of Crimea,” which are permanently available on the organization’s website in 4 languages and reflect up-to-date figures on kremlin prisoners, missing persons, and fatalities during the occupation of Crimea.

The CTRC also systematically updates the interactive chart “Classification of people, responsible for human rights violations in the occupied Crimea,” which is permanently available on the organization’s website and presents lists of individuals responsible for human rights violations in Crimea, categorized by their professional activities.

The CTRC participated in the UN Climate Change Conference

(COP28) in Dubai (UAE).

The CTRC contributed to the preparation of documents to formalize the legal status of the Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar People as the representative body of Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine.

Our priorities remain: ensuring the collective rights of the Crimean Tatar People and the individual rights of all residents of Crimea; carrying out human rights activities; developing draft normative legal acts; supporting cultural and educational initiatives; monitoring and analyzing the components of sustainable development of Crimea; and conducting informational and awareness-raising activities.

We are focused on achieving the strategic goals of the CTRC through our institutional programs, campaigns, and activities. This approach ensures the effective protection of human rights, as well as the deoccupation and reintegration of Crimea, as defined through CTRC strategic sessions and focus groups.

A program-based approach ensures transparent financial management, addresses specific tasks, and enables the achievement of measurable results.

We are grateful to everyone who believes in the Crimean Tatar Resource Center and supports us, as well as to our friends, experts, and partners for their support of the CTRC in 2023.

Eskender Bariiev

Head of the Board of the CTRC,
Member of Mejlis of the Crimean
Tatar People



ABOUT CTRC: MISSION, VISION, VALUES, GOALS

The Crimean Tatar Resource Center (CTRC) is a non-governmental organization established in 2015 with the aim of ensuring the collective rights of the Crimean Tatars as Indigenous peoples and the individual rights of all residents of Crimea in order to achieve sustainable development.

We protect the rights of the Crimean Tatar people, develop draft laws and regulatory legal acts, support cultural, educational, advocacy, and democratic initiatives related to Crimea and the Crimean Tatar people, monitor violations of individual and collective rights in occupied Crimea, document cases of human rights violations, inform the international community about the situation in occupied Crimea, facilitate legal, social, and humanitarian assistance for political prisoners and their family members, submit applications, complaints, and communications to special and universal human rights protection mechanisms, conduct international information campaigns and events aimed at keeping Crimea in the international focus, train lawyers and activists, and prepare a new generation of public diplomats of the Crimean Tatar people.

We believe that all activities of the CTRC contribute to the earliest possible deoccupation and reintegration of Crimea.

OUR MISSION

The Crimean Tatar Resource Center is a non-governmental organization operating at the local, national, and international levels, aimed at the deoccupation, reintegration, and sustainable development of Crimea through countering aggression, genocide, and discrimination; advancing the collective rights and interests of Indigenous Peoples; protecting human rights; monitoring and analyzing components of Crimea's sustainable development;

conducting information, educational, and advocacy activities; and supporting cultural, educational, and scientific initiatives.

OUR VISION

The activities of the Crimean Tatar Resource Center have become an integral part of the deoccupation and reintegration of Crimea. The outcomes of the CTRC's work have contributed to peacebuilding, the restoration of justice, the achievement of sustainable development of Crimea within Ukraine, the protection of the rights of Indigenous Peoples and human rights, and the strengthening of democratic institutions.

The activities of the Crimean Tatar Resource Center ensure an objective perception of the situation in Crimea at the Ukrainian, European, and global levels.

Uncertainty regarding the timing of deoccupation has led to the elaboration of the vision for two distinct phases: before deoccupation and after deoccupation. Each phase is presented in a separate Strategy section.

WE PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO:

- ◆ protection of the rights of the Indigenous Peoples of Crimea and their representatives;
- ◆ preservation and development of the national identity of the Indigenous Peoples of Crimea and national minorities;
- ◆ protection of Crimea's resources as the homeland of Indigenous Peoples;
- ◆ anti-discrimination.

MAIN GOAL

- ◆ To prevent the completion of an attempt to annex Crimea by keeping the issue of its occupation high on the national and international agendas and by engaging a broader range of partners and supporters in joint efforts.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

- ◆ promoting the protection and realization of the rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- ◆ promoting the protection and realization of human rights;
- ◆ promoting the deoccupation and reintegration of Crimea;
- ◆ promoting the protection of Crimea's environment;
- ◆ promoting self-organization of the population of Crimea.

OUR VALUES:

- ◆ **Rights of Indigenous Peoples;**
- ◆ **Resistance to aggression;**
- ◆ **Human rights;**
- ◆ **Non-violent struggle;**
- ◆ **Rule of law;**
- ◆ **Sustainable development.**

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CTRC



CTRRC team

The Crimean Tatar Resource Center is consistently improving and enhancing its activities. As part of its organizational development, the CTRC reviewed the Strategy of the Crimean Tatar Resource Center 2021–2023.

The organization developed a fundraising strategy for 2023 – 2025, a new communication strategy for 2023, a brand book, updated its website, and is actively working to increase the number of followers on social media platforms (in particular, the number of followers on Facebook increased to 80,000).

In its activities, the CTRC applies a systematic management approach and uses project management software.

THE STAFF OF THE ORGANIZATION REGULARLY PARTICIPATE IN TRAININGS RELEVANT TO THEIR AREAS OF WORK IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THEIR COMPETENCIES AND QUALIFICATIONS. IN 2023:

- ◆ **CTRC manager Zarema Bariieva and CTRC Communications Manager Tetiana Savchuk** participated in the workshop “Learning for the Future. Protection and Security of Civil Society Activists at Risk in Europe”, organized by the Stefan Batory Foundation, the Open Society Foundations and the International Renaissance Foundation in Warsaw, Poland;
- ◆ **CTRC manager Liudmyla Korotkykh** participated in the program of the Ukrainian Civil Society Forum of the Salzburg Global Seminar “Rights, Return, and Reintegration: Displacement and Deoccupation” in Salzburg, Austria;
- ◆ **CTRC Communications Manager Tetiana Savchuk** participated in a series of trainings “How to Make a Good Message Better”, organized by the Liberal Communicators Network;
- ◆ **CTRC Communications Managers Tetiana Savchuk and Valeriia Yarmolenko** participated in a training on the basics of geographic information systems, organized by the International Renaissance Foundation in Kyiv;
- ◆ **CTRC lawyer, attorney Volodymyr Liashenko**, participated in the training “Legal Support for Volunteer Activities”, organized by the Higher School of Advocacy and the All-Ukrainian Coalition for Legal Aid in Vinnytsia;
- ◆ **CTRC manager Zarema Bariieva and CTRC Communications Manager Tetiana Savchuk** participated in the seminar “Annual Report of a Non-Governmental Organization: Why? For Whom? How?”, organized by the International Renaissance Foundation in Kropyvnytskyi;
- ◆ **CTRC Communications Manager Tetiana Savchuk** participated in an online storytelling training organized by the “Doluchaisya!” program.



CTRC team

STATISTICS IN NUMBERS FOR 2023

ORGANIZED

- ◆ Over **37** meetings, including **19** meetings with international partners
- ◆ International Summer Camp “Freedom Camp”, attended by **20** participants
- ◆ **15** press conferences
- ◆ **3** flash mobs
- ◆ **2** film presentations
- ◆ **11** information campaigns
- ◆ **13** #LIBERATECRIMEA actions
- ◆ **2** exhibitions
- ◆ **2** strategic forums “The Future of Crimea”
- ◆ **3** side events
- ◆ **6** billboard campaigns
- ◆ **2** press breakfasts
- ◆ **2** concerts
- ◆ **2** focus groups with Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) from occupied Crimea and the newly occupied territories of Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions

DEVELOPED

- ◆ **11** video clips
- ◆ **24** reels
- ◆ **3** strategies
- ◆ **16** analytical reports on the human rights situation in occupied Crimea
- ◆ **43** #LIBERATECRIMEA posters
- ◆ **5** tests
- ◆ **1** chatbot

PARTICIPATED

- ◆ **14** international events
- ◆ More than **25** partner events in Ukraine
- ◆ Activities of the Crimea Platform Expert Network



Event marking the Day of Remembrance of the Victims of the Crimean Tatar Genocide “Remembering History – Returning Territory”



Presentation of recommendations to the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Strategy for the Deoccupation and Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territory of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the City of Sevastopol



Meeting with the Federal Government Commissioner for Human Rights Policy and Humanitarian Assistance of Germany, Member of the German Bundestag, Luise Amtsberg



CTRC ALSO:

- ◆ gave **129** interviews to Ukrainian media and **14** interviews to foreign media;
- ◆ issued **22** public statements regarding the full-scale war and the situation in Crimea;
- ◆ provided qualified legal consultations to more than **200** individuals;
- ◆ provided qualified legal assistance to more than **80** individuals.



Legal consultation on the required documents for leaving the occupied territories

Interview about the situation in Crimea and about Crimean Tatars for Norwegian Media outlet "Filter Nyheter"



Interview with Eskender Bariiev and Zarema Bariieva for the Norwegian newspaper Filter Nyheter



Interview with Liudmyla Korotkykh for Suspilne Crimea

КРЦ направив звіт до ООН про важливість реєстрації жертв для просування та захисту прав людини



КРИМСЬКОТАТАРСЬКИЙ КТЛРЦ РЕСУРСНИЙ ЦЕНТР

The CTRC submitted a report to the UN

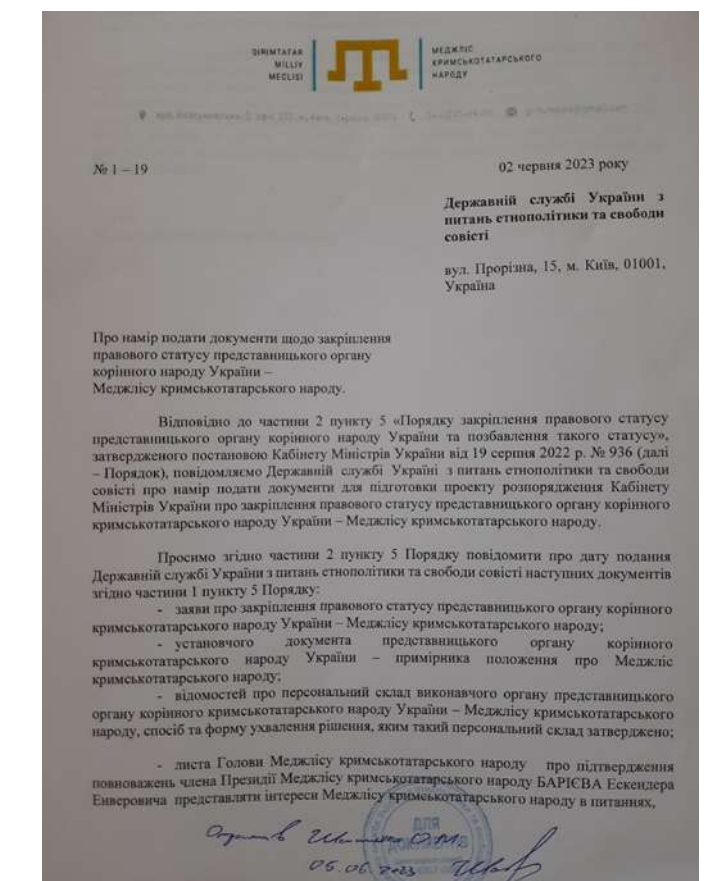
The collected materials also served as the basis for the preparation and submission of relevant statements, appeals, and reports to universal and regional human rights protection mechanisms.

In 2023, the CTRC submitted 28 statements and reports to international organizations, including: the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief, the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, and the Human Dimension Committee of the OSCE Permanent Council.

The Crimean Tatar Resource Center also assisted in the preparation of documents to formalize the legal status of Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar People as the representative body of Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine.



Submission of documents to formalize the legal status of the Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar People



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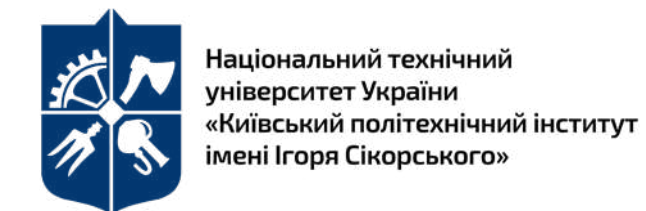
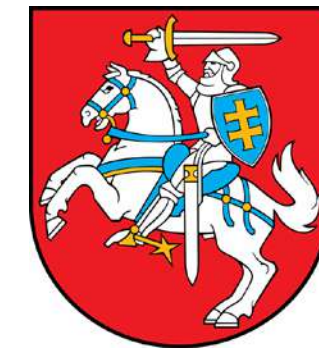
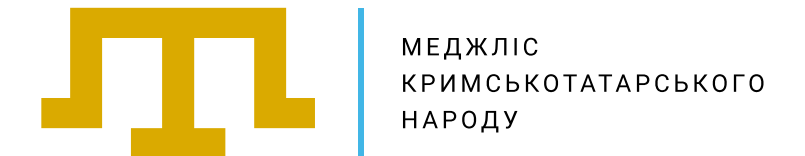
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REPORT ON ACTIVITIES IN 2023



PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN OCCUPIED CRIMEA AND THE NEWLY OCCUPIED TERRITORIES OF THE KHERSON AND ZAPORIZHZHIA REGIONS

In order to protect individual rights, in 2023 the CTCRC continued to conduct systematic monitoring of human rights violations in occupied Crimea and the newly occupied territories of Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions. Based on this monitoring, the CTCRC published monthly, quarterly, and annual reports of the “Analysis of Human Rights Violations in Occupied Crimea and the Newly Occupied Territories of Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions.”

During the year, a total of **12 monthly**, **3 quarterly**, and **1 annual** analyses were prepared.

The collected materials also served as the basis for the preparation and submission of relevant statements, appeals, and reports to universal and regional human rights protection mechanisms. In 2023, the CTCRC submitted **28 statements and reports to international organizations, including: the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief, the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, and the Human Dimension Committee of the OSCE Permanent Council.**



Presentation of the Analysis of Human Rights Violations in Occupied Crimea

ПОРУШЕННЯ ПРАВ ЛЮДИНИ В ОКУПОВАНОМУ КРИМУ ЗА I КВАРТАЛ 2023 РОКУ



ЗАТРИМАННЯ

За I квартал 2023 року було зафіксовано 61 затримання/утримання, 49 – щодо кримських татар.



ОБШУКИ

За I квартал 2023 року було зафіксовано 21 обшук, 19 – у будинках кримських татар.



АРЕШТИ

За I квартал 2023 року зафіксовано 83 випадки арештів, з них 54 – щодо представників корінного кримськотатарського народу.



ДОПИТИ

За I квартал 2023 року було зафіксовано 64 випадки допитів, опитувань та «розмов», 53 – щодо кримських татар.



ПОРУШЕННЯ ПРАВА НА СПРАВЕДЛИВИЙ СУД

За I квартал 2023 року зафіксовано 94 випадки порушення права на справедливий суд, 67 – щодо кримських татар.

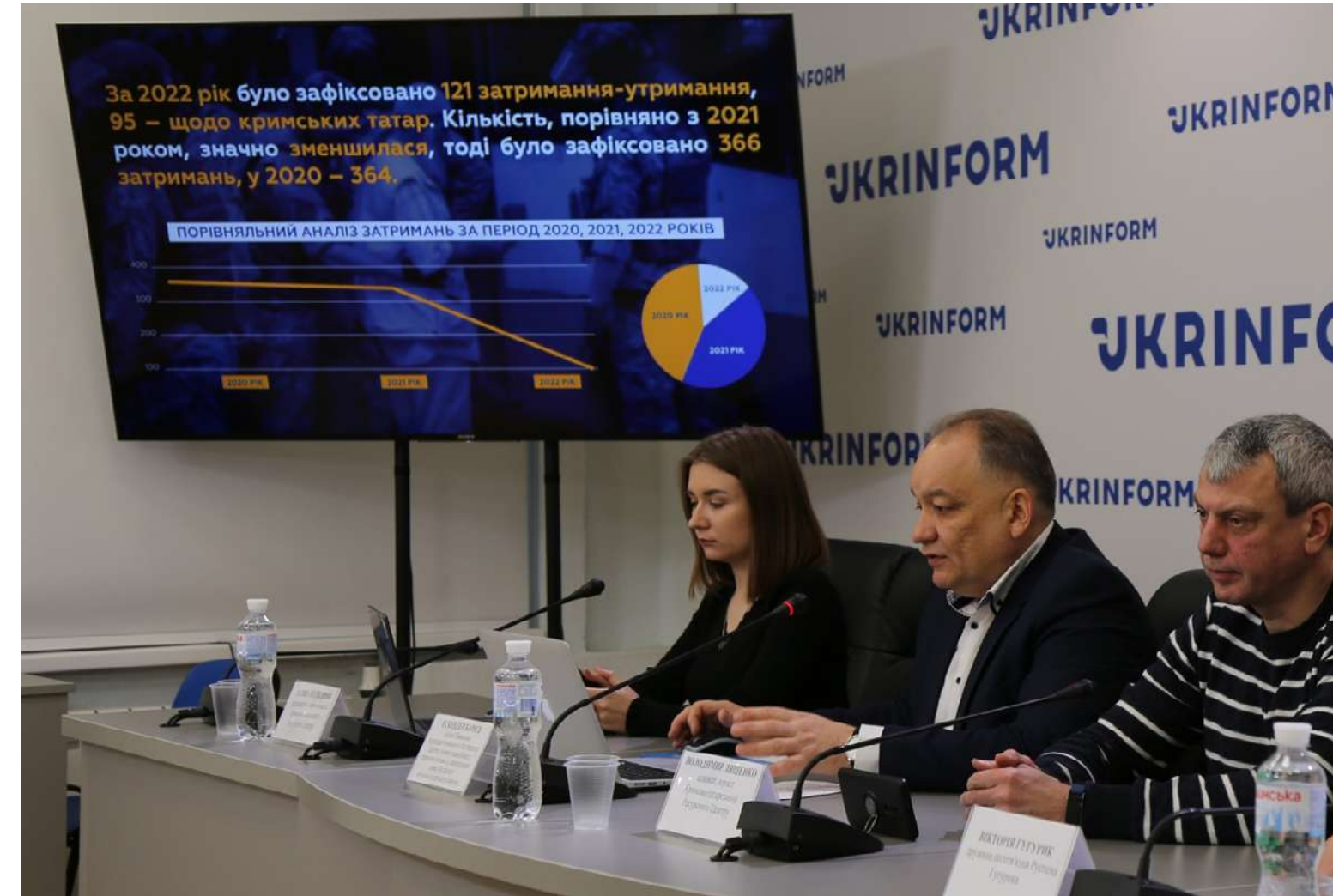


ПОРУШЕННЯ ПРАВА НА ЗДОРОВ'Я

За I квартал 2023 року зафіксовано щонайменше 10 випадків порушення права на найвищий досяжний рівень фізичного та психічного здоров'я, 7 – щодо кримських татар.

Analysis of Human Rights Violations in Occupied Crimea

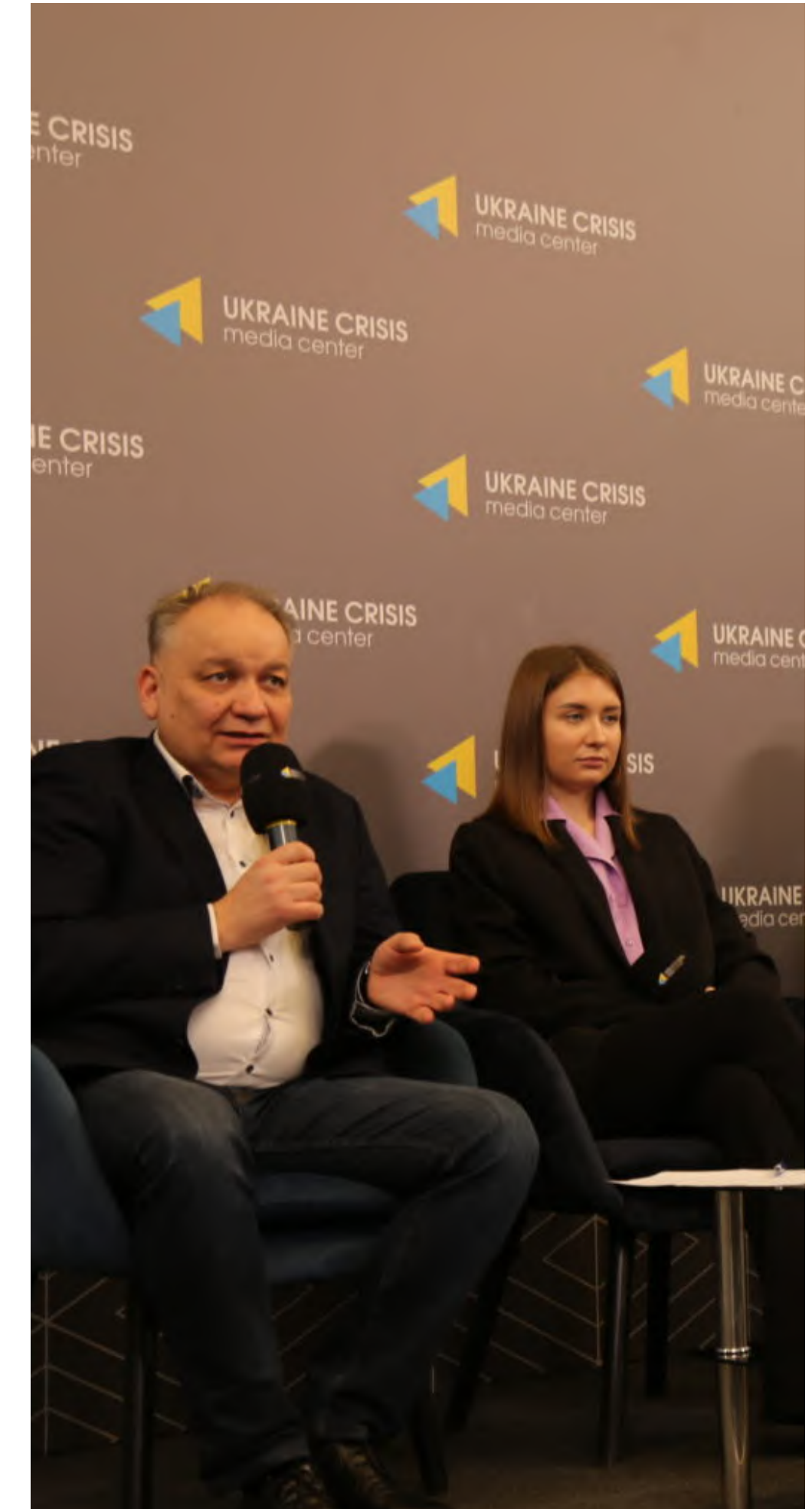
The CTCRC continued its cooperation with state authorities of Ukraine to ensure and protect the rights of Ukrainian citizens in occupied Crimea. These included: the Main Directorate of the National Police in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol; the Prosecutor's Office of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and Sevastopol City; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; the Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine; the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine; the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine; the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine; the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine; the State Service of Ukraine on Ethnic Policy and Freedom of Conscience; the State Agency of Water Resources of Ukraine; the State Environmental Inspectorate of Ukraine; the State Emergency Service of Ukraine; the Representative Office of the President of Ukraine in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea; the Security Service of Ukraine; the Coordination Headquarters for the Treatment of Prisoners of War, etc.



Presentation of the Analysis of Human Rights Violations for 2022



Meeting with the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, Dunja Mijatović



Presentation of the Analysis of Human Rights Violations for Q1 2023



Political prisoner of Crimea Leniie Umerova



Political prisoner of Crimea Bohdan Ziza



Statistics on human rights violations in occupied Crimea

Throughout 2023, CTCRC experts continued to collect information on political prisoners of Crimea and updated the diagram “Victims of the Occupation of Crimea.” The diagram was supplemented with data on all persons arrested in criminal cases in 2023, as well as information on missing persons and those killed on the territory of the peninsula, with separate identification of representatives of the Crimean Tatar people.

In addition, the organization continued documenting human rights violations not only in Crimea but also in the newly occupied territories of the Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions.

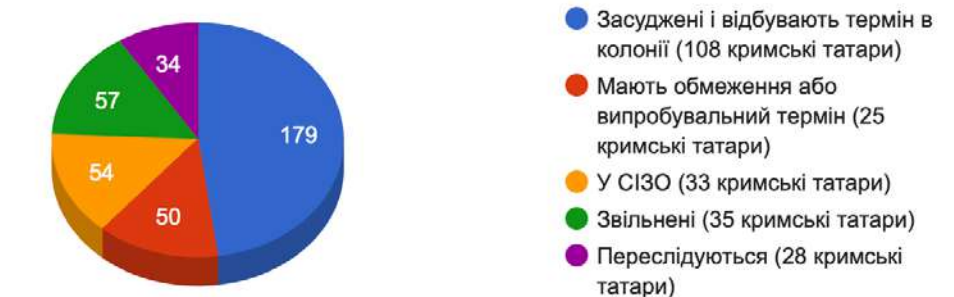
The CTCRC continued collecting information on human rights violations and war crimes in the occupied territories, as well as testimonies of internally displaced persons (IDPs) and refugees using a questionnaire previously developed by the organization’s experts. As a result, 342 materials were collected.

CTCRC lawyers submitted a written appeal to the state authorities of Ukraine (the President of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, and the Security Service of Ukraine), requesting that, in accordance with the Law of Ukraine “On Sanctions,” the issue of imposing personal sanctions in the form of deprivation of state awards for Crimean collaborators be submitted for consideration to the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine.

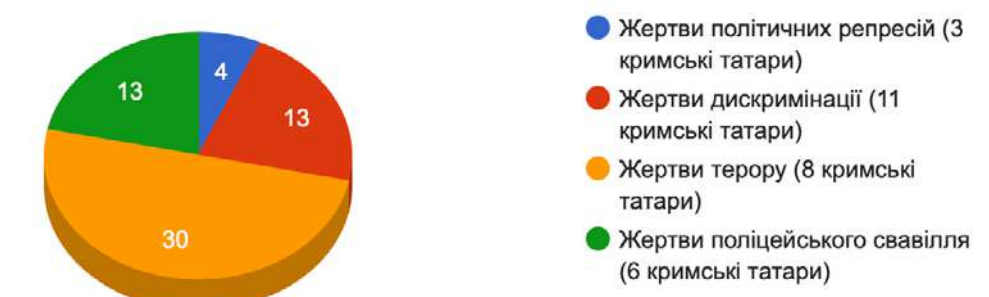
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Жертви окупації Криму

374 політичних в'язнів і переслідуваних за кримінальними «справами» за період окупації Криму, 229 із них – представники кримськотатарського народу



60 загиблих за період окупації Криму, 28 з яких – представники кримськотатарського народу



24 жертви насильницьких зникнень за період окупації Криму, 18 з яких – представники кримськотатарського народу

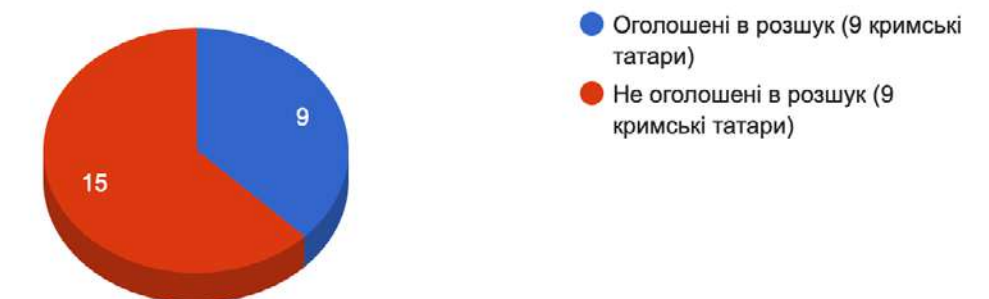


Diagram “Victims of the Occupation of Crimea”

INFORMATIONAL CAMPAIGNS

In 2023, the CTRC continued its active work in the information sphere. Throughout the year, 11 informational campaigns and 6 billboard campaigns were conducted, dedicated to the situation in occupied Crimea and the Indigenous peoples of Ukraine.

In total, at least 5,366,785 people in Ukraine and abroad were reached through social media, while billboard campaigns reached 17,748,305 people.

All materials developed within these campaigns were made available in several languages: Ukrainian, English, Turkish, and Russian.



#LIBERATECRIMEA INFORMATIONAL CAMPAIGN

The main objective of the campaign is to increase public awareness in Ukraine about the Indigenous peoples of the country, their history and culture, the situation in Crimea, and key historical dates related to the peninsula.

FEBRUARY 26

(Day of Resistance to the Occupation of Crimea and the City of Sevastopol) An informational campaign titled **“We fought then, we will win now”** was conducted to support the spirit of all Ukrainians and reinforce the slogan “It all started in Crimea, and it will end in Crimea” (a slogan used by the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy, as well as other prominent politicians and public figures).

As part of the campaign, 7 posters were developed in Ukrainian, English, and Turkish, along with 1 infographic, causing a social media storm. An informational video entitled “We fought then, we will win now” has also been produced.

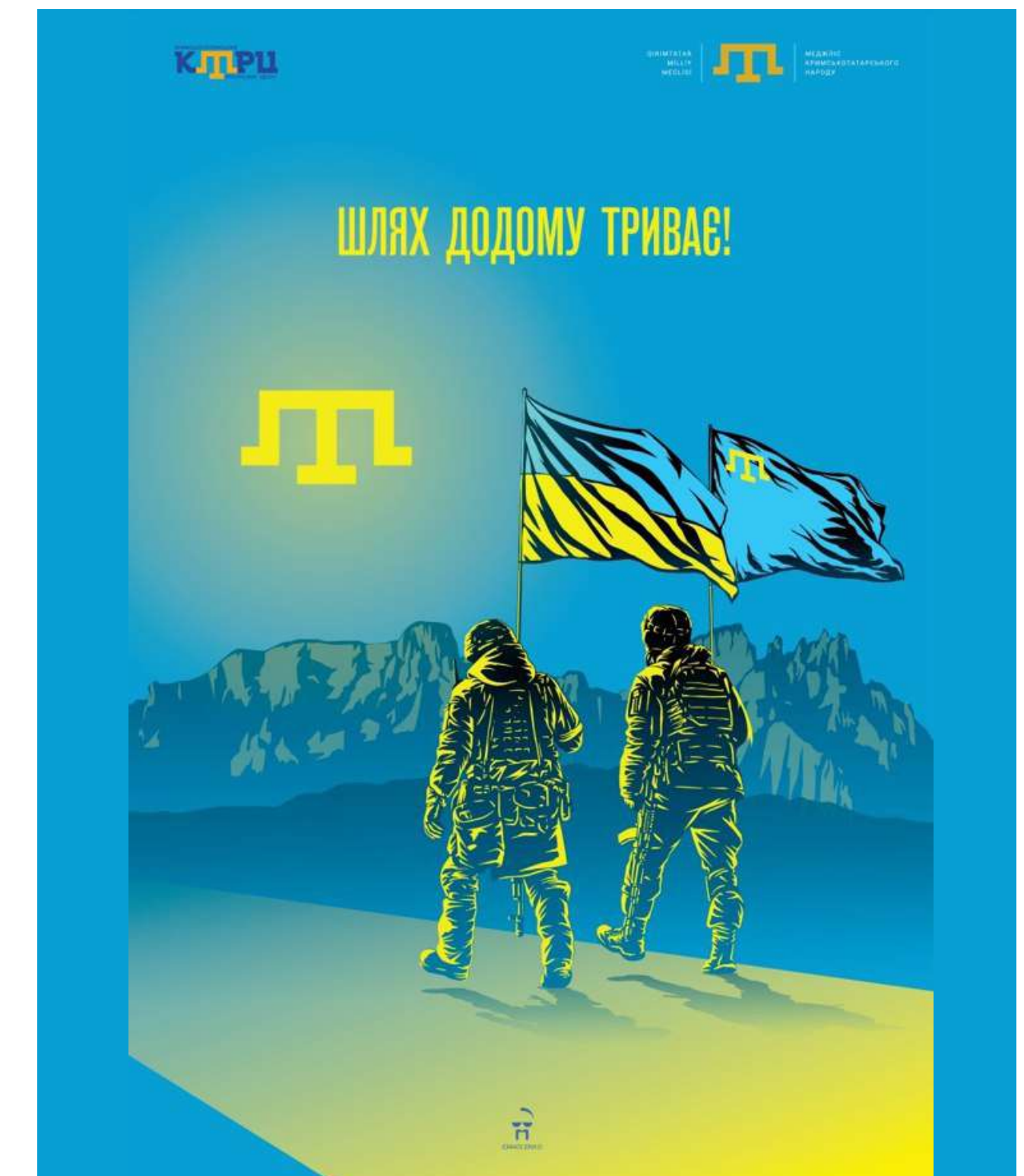
An exhibition titled “9 Years of Resistance” dedicated to February 26 was opened in Kyiv at the Ukrinform News Agency.



“9 Years of Resistance” Exhibition



Posters for February 26



Posters for February 26

MAY 18

(Day of Remembrance of the Victims of the Crimean Tatar Genocide) An informational campaign titled “**Not Condemned Yesterday, Repeated Today**” was conducted to inform Ukrainian and international communities about the importance of recognizing the 1944 deportation of the Crimean Tatar people as an act of genocide.

As part of the campaign, 6 posters in Ukrainian, English, and Turkish and 1 infographic were developed.

On the Day of Remembrance, the flash mob **#we_are** in solidarity was launched. It encouraged people to use a specially developed social media mask and thus express their solidarity with the Crimean Tatar people.

In addition, the initiative **#we_are_crimeantatars_no_genocide** was launched. As part of this initiative, participants were invited to share family stories about relatives who became victims of deportation. The “Deep Nostalgia” platform was used to animate archival photographs accompanying these stories.

A video titled “Not Condemned Yesterday, Repeated Today” was also produced.

Furthermore, posters developed for this date were placed on 29 billboards and citylights in Ivano-Frankivsk, Chernihiv, Cherkasy, Uzhhorod, Mykolaiv, Rivne, Hostomel, Brovary (Kyiv region), as well as in Kirovohrad region.



Billboard Campaign for May 18



Posters for May 18



Posters for May 18

JUNE 26

(Day of the Crimean Tatar Flag) An informational campaign titled **“Two Flags – Common Future”** was conducted, calling for granting official status to the Day of the Crimean Tatar Flag.

As part of the campaign, 7 posters in Ukrainian, English, and Turkish, as well as 1 infographic, were developed.

In addition, cooperation with bloggers took place: 3 joint posts were published on Instagram, and 1 post was published by a blogger on Twitter/X.

A video titled “The Flag Matters!” was also produced.

Posters created for the Day of the Crimean Tatar Flag were placed on 50 billboards and citylights in Ivano-Frankivsk, Kropyvnytskyi, Ternopil, Chernihiv, Mykolaiv, Poltava, and Kyiv.



Flash mob marking the Day of the Crimean Tatar Flag



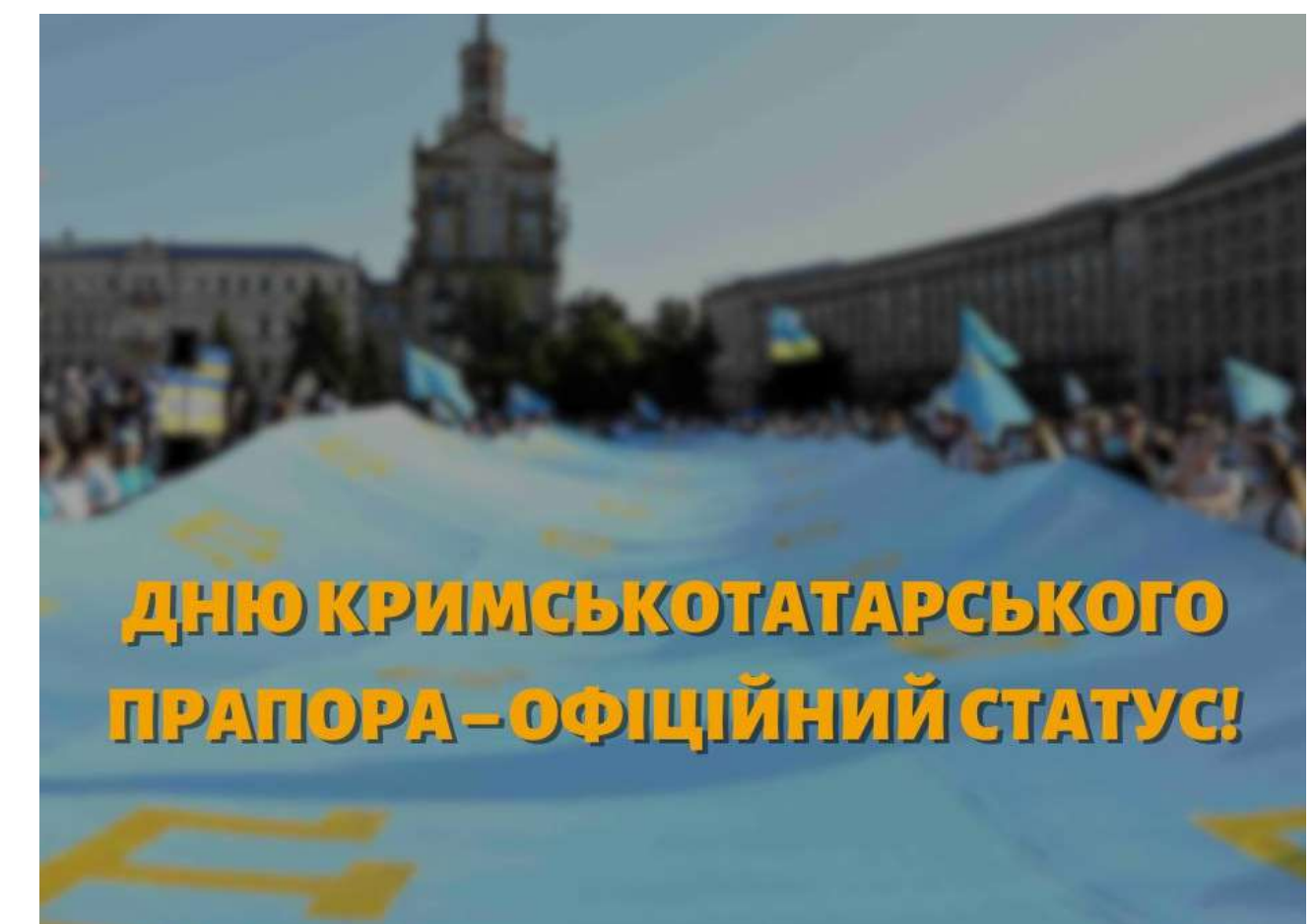
Posters for June 26



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Information Campaign for June 26

AUGUST 9

(International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples)

An information campaign titled **“Protect the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine – Save Ukraine!”** was conducted. The campaign aimed to draw attention and deepen the knowledge of Ukrainians and the international community about the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine.

As part of the campaign, 7 posters in Ukrainian, English, and Turkish, as well as 1 infographic, were developed. A new content series was also launched, aimed at debunking myths and stereotypes about the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine that exist within Ukrainian society.

Six reels featuring members of the CTRC team were published. A video titled **“Protect the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine – Save Ukraine!”** was also produced.

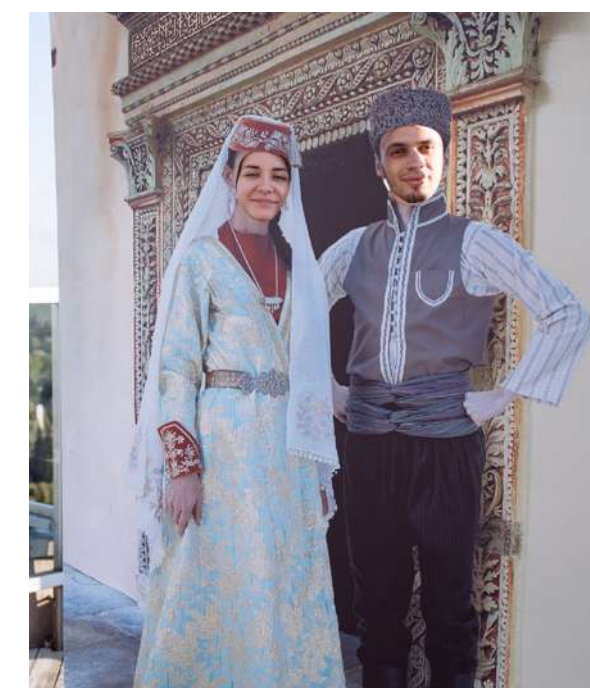
In addition, a charity concert was organized jointly with well-known Ukrainian artists BURLA, ALISA, and NAIMES, as well as the well-known host and comedian Oleksandr Stepanenko.



Charity Concert for August 9



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Billboard for August 9



Billboard Campaign for August 9



Billboard Campaign for August 9

INFORMATION CAMPAIGN “GRAVE MOBILIZATION”

An informational campaign titled “Grave Mobilization” was conducted. As part of the campaign, CTRC representatives explained ways to avoid mobilization in Crimea through various means.

4 posters in Russian and 3 infographics were developed. Reels were also produced covering:

- ◆ actions to take if a draft notice is delivered;
- ◆ why participation in the armed forces of the Russian Federation constitutes a crime
- ◆ why mobilization in Crimea constitutes a crime.

A video titled “Grave Mobilization in Crimea: Better to Go to Prison than to Die a Criminal” was created. In addition, Belarusian activists joined the campaign and placed billboards with CTRC posters near the border with Ukraine, calling on people not to participate in the Russo-Ukrainian war on the side of the aggressor.

In 2023, the CTRC also continued publishing lists of individuals involved in illegal mobilization in occupied Crimea. As part of the campaign, the CTRC warns these individuals and calls on them to cease such activities.



Billboard Campaign in Belarus



“Grave Mobilization” Posters



“Grave Mobilization” Posters



Billboard Campaign in Belarus

INFORMATION CAMPAIGN “BY RETURNING THE NAMES – WE WILL RETURN CRIMEA”

An information campaign titled “By Returning the Names – We will Return Crimea” was conducted, aimed at restoring historical toponyms on the peninsula.

As part of the campaign, 7 posters in Ukrainian, English, and Turkish, as well as 1 infographic, were developed. Posters created as part of the campaign were displayed on 34 billboards and citylights in Chernihiv, Kyiv, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, and Cherkasy.

As part of the toponymy restoration initiative, two formats of reels were launched:

- ◆ 5 videos featuring historian and Turkologist Oleksandr Halenko, who explained the history and historical names of each city;
- ◆ 10 videos featuring CTRC team members explaining the historical names of the following settlements in Crimea: Sevastopol, Simferopol, Yevpatoria, Bilohirsk, Krasnohvardiiske, Izobilne, Lokhivka, Shchebetivka, Shchaslyve, and Chornomorske.

The reels featuring the historian reached 1,495,402 views, while the 1-minute videos reached 82,590 views.

A video titled “Historical Names Are the Right of the Indigenous Peoples!” was also produced.

Furthermore, the CTRC initiated cooperation with socially responsible Ukrainian businesses as part of the campaign. In particular, “Qırım azbarı” Café and “Sofra” Coffeehouse in Lviv joined the campaign by placing stickers with CTRC posters in their premises.



Cooperation with the Lviv-based “Qırım azbarı” café



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Posters “By returning the Names – We will Return Crimea”



Posters “By returning the Names – We will Return Crimea”

INFORMATION CAMPAIGN “THE FUTURE OF CRIMEA”

An information campaign titled “The Future of Crimea” was conducted to disseminate the model of the future of Crimea developed by CTRC experts. The model includes the following elements:

- ◆ positive Ukrainization of Crimea;
- ◆ guaranteed protection of human rights in Crimea;
- ◆ implementation of the collective rights of the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine;
- ◆ the Autonomous Republic of Crimea as a national-territorial autonomy of the Crimean Tatar people;
- ◆ Crimea as an economically developed and tourist-attractive region of Ukraine.

5 infographics (in Ukrainian, English and Turkish) were developed, and a 7-minute video explaining the essence of the proposed model was produced.



Model of the Future of Crimea



Head of the Board of the CTRC, Eskender Bariiev



Presentation of the recommendations of the Strategic Forum “The Future of Crimea”



2nd Strategic Forum “The Future of Crimea,” October 31 – November 5, 2023

INFORMATION CAMPAIGN “NATO IN THE MEDIA OF OCCUPIED CRIMEA”

The information campaign “NATO in the Media of Occupied Crimea” aimed to monitor disinformation in temporarily occupied Crimea regarding NATO’s values, goals, and current activities and to debunk such narratives.

Within the campaign:

- ◆ media outlets in occupied Crimea were analyzed;
- ◆ 4 infographics on trends in the dissemination of fake information about NATO were published;
- ◆ more than 21 fake narratives were debunked;
- ◆ 4 presentations were held at Ukrinform News Agency together with representatives of NATO in Ukraine.



Press Conference on Campaign Results

ФЕЙК ❌



КРАЇНИ НАТО ПЛАНУЮТЬ
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НАТО НЕ Є СТОРОНОЮ
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Центр інформації та
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Publication within the campaign “NATO in the Media of Occupied Crimea”

ФЕЙК ❌



НЕОНАЦИСТИ З ОТОЧЕННЯ
УКРАЇНСЬКОГО ЛІДЕРА
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УКРАЇНА І НАТО ЧІТКО
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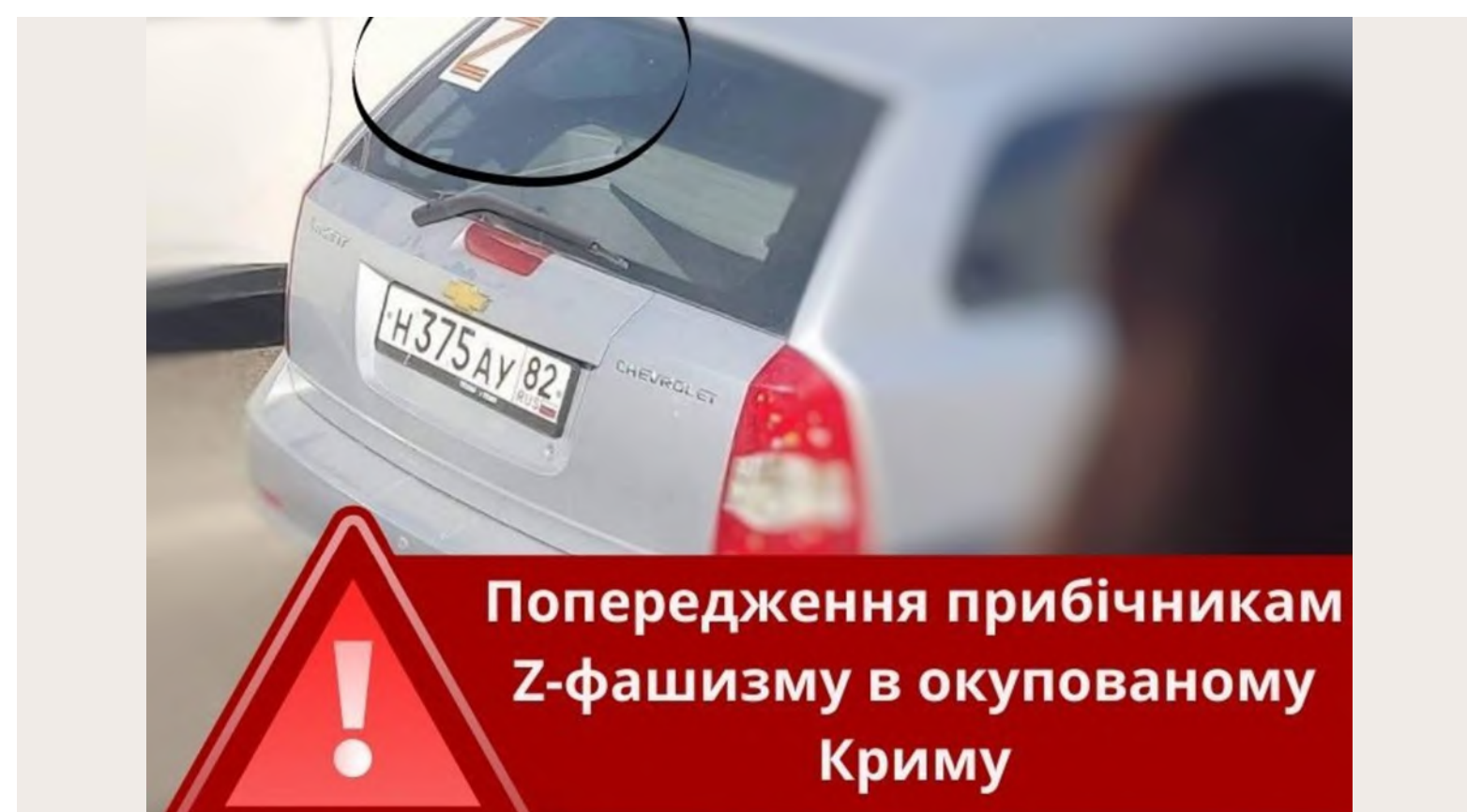

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Publication within the campaign “NATO in the Media of Occupied Crimea”

INFORMATION CAMPAIGN “WARNING SUPPORTERS OF Z AND V FASCISM IN OCCUPIED CRIMEA”

In 2023, the CTCRC continued its campaign aimed at countering supporters of Z and V fascism in occupied Crimea, who place the letters “Z” and “V” on their vehicles as symbols supporting fascism and participating in a crime against humanity.

The CTCRC has identified more than 1,000 individuals whose vehicles were documented and who were officially warned that they are engaged in propaganda of the Russian regime and the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine in Crimea. The relevant list has been submitted to the National Police of Ukraine and the Prosecutor’s Office of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and Sevastopol City.



Publication within the campaign “Warning Supporters of Z and V Fascism in Occupied Crimea”



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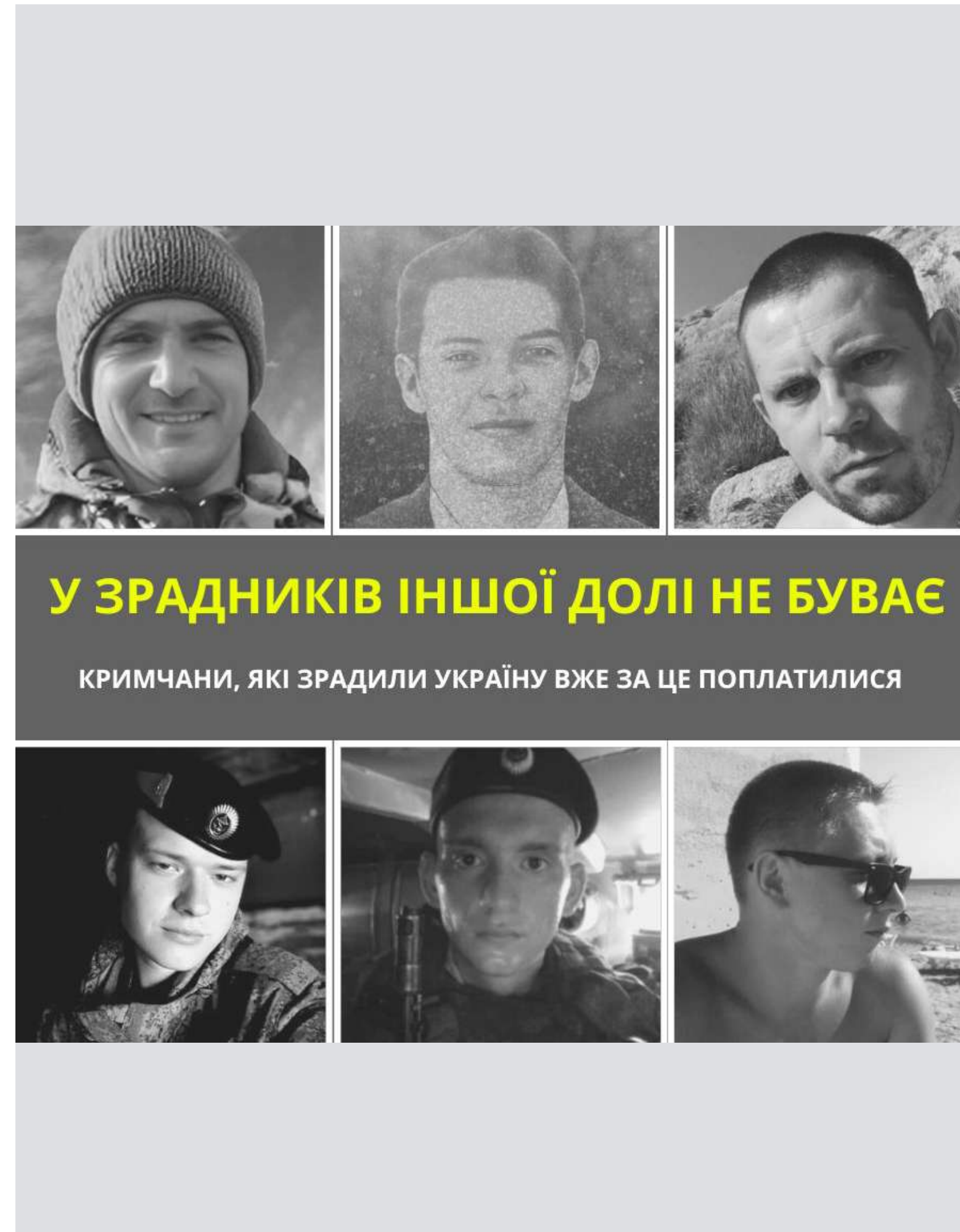
Publication within the campaign “Warning Supporters of Z and V Fascism in Occupied Crimea”

INFORMATION CAMPAIGN “TRAITORS HAVE NO OTHER FATE”

In 2023, the CTCRC launched the campaign “Traitors Have No Other Fate”, aimed at drawing attention to crimes committed by citizens of Ukraine who sided with the enemy.

Within the framework of the initiative, the CTCRC publishes data and photographs of military personnel and other citizens of Ukraine from temporarily occupied Crimea who voluntarily joined the armed forces of the Russian Federation and were subsequently eliminated in combat.

The campaign also calls on residents of Crimea to refrain from participating in the war on the side of the Russian Federation, emphasizing that such actions constitute a direct violation of the law and national treason, which entails legal liability.



Publication within the campaign “Traitors Have No Other Fate”



Publication within the campaign “Traitors Have No Other Fate”

REINTEGRATION OF CRIMEA

In 2023, the Crimean Tatar Resource Center (CTRC) devoted significant attention to the processes of the future reintegration of Crimea. During this period, 2 Strategic Forums titled “The Future of Crimea” were held with the support of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom Ukraine.

From March 3 to March 7, 2023, the CTRC held the 1st Strategic Forum “The Future of Crimea,” which brought together 20 experienced experts, including 7 Doctors of Sciences.

The experts developed recommendations on the reintegration of Crimea, taking into account the collective rights of the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine, across 10 policy areas: public governance, criminal policy, civil policy, migration policy, social and humanitarian policy, information policy, environmental policy, justice policy, international policy, and anti-corruption policy.



Strategic Forum “The Future of Crimea,” March 3–7, 2023



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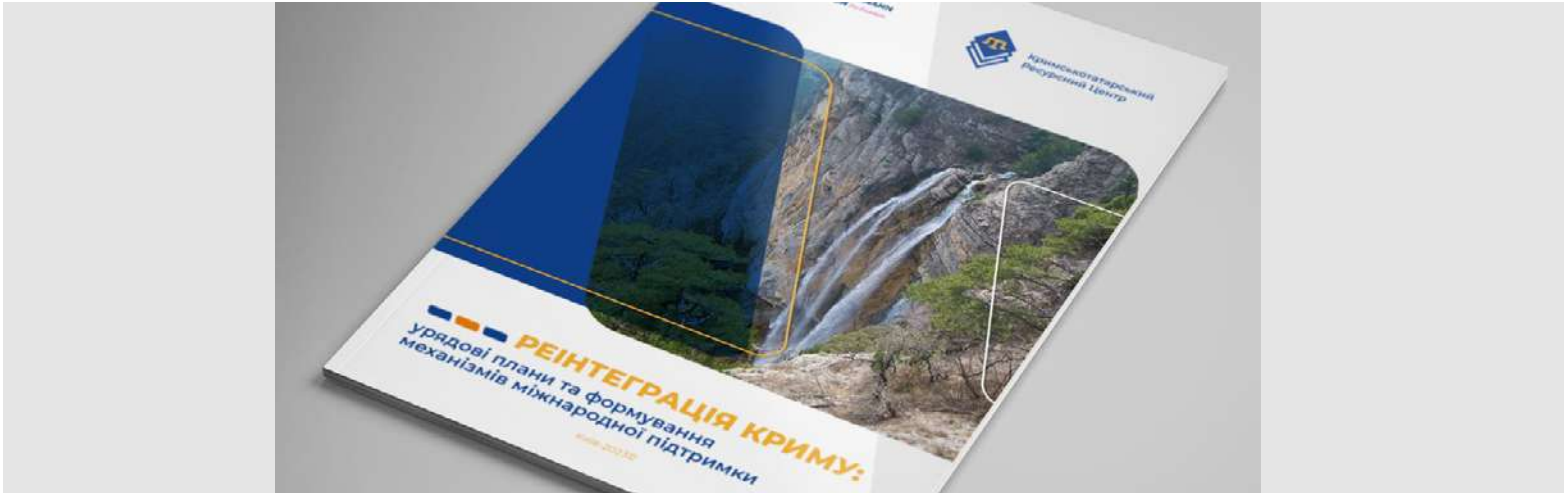
“The Future of Crimea: Legal Provision and Recommendations to Strategies”

From October 31 to November 5, the 2nd Strategic Forum “The Future of Crimea” was held. During the event, 20 experienced experts conducted a detailed analysis of the development of Ukrainian legislation concerning the reintegration of Crimea in 2023.

The outcome of the forum was a set of recommendations to the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Strategy for the Deoccupation and Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territory of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the City of Sevastopol.

The recommendations of the 1st and 2nd Strategic Forums were presented to the Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine, the Accounting Chamber of Ukraine, the Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar People, as well as representatives of foreign embassies and international organizations in Ukraine.

These recommendations were also submitted to the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine, the Office of the President of Ukraine, the Permanent Representative of the President of Ukraine in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, the Security Service of Ukraine, the National Anti-Corruption Bureau of Ukraine, and other central executive authorities.



Reintegration of Crimea: Government Action Plans and Development of International Assistance Mechanisms



2nd Strategic Forum “The Future of Crimea,” October 31 – November 5, 2023



2nd Strategic Forum “The Future of Crimea,” October 31 – November 5, 2023



Presentation of the Forum Results to the Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine



Presentation of the Forum Results to the Diplomatic Corps in Ukraine

INTEGRATION OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPS) INTO HOST COMMUNITIES

Following the start of the full-scale invasion, the issue of internally displaced persons (IDPs) became particularly acute, especially for representatives of the Indigenous Peoples of Ukraine and national minorities. People who were forced to leave their homes face not only stress and everyday challenges but also difficulties in preserving their identity in a new environment.

In response to numerous requests, the Crimean Tatar Resource Center found a way to assist this vulnerable group. Two focus groups were conducted with IDPs from occupied Crimea and the newly occupied territories of Zaporizhzhia and Kherson regions. Current problems and challenges were discussed with participants.

As a result, a unique Telegram chatbot titled “Taking Care of IDPs (Turbota)” was developed. It is the only service of its kind in Ukraine tailored to the needs of internally displaced persons, including representatives of the Indigenous Peoples and national minorities of Ukraine.

The chatbot provides information on:

- ◆ how to obtain IDP status;
- ◆ where to find housing;
- ◆ how to locate places of worship;
- ◆ how to find employment;
- ◆ how to receive humanitarian assistance;
- ◆ where to find shops that meet specific needs (halal, kosher, vegetarian options).

Currently, the chatbot covers four major cities: Kyiv, Lviv, Chernivtsi, and Ivano-Frankivsk.

The CTRC conducted a large-scale informational campaign promoting the “Taking Care about IDPs (Turbota)” chatbot to ensure that as many internally displaced persons as possible, particularly representatives of Indigenous Peoples and national minorities, could benefit from its services.

Key Achievements of the Campaign

Social Media. Banners and an informational video explaining how to use the chatbot were developed. The social media campaign reached 379,735 people.

Outdoor Advertising. Billboard and citylight campaigns were conducted: 16 billboards and 14 citylights were placed in Kyiv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Chernivtsi, and Lviv. The total audience reach amounted to 3,482,261 people.

Transport Advertising. Information about the chatbot was placed in Intercity trains, with a total of 588 visual materials displayed. In the metro system, 705 stickers were placed. In minibuses, trams, trolleybuses, and buses, 426 stickers were displayed. Through public transport promotion, information about the chatbot reached 5,112,000 people.

During this period, more than 10,000 users utilized the chatbot, and the CTRC team received dozens of requests addressed to a lawyer and operator, demonstrating the real demand for such a service.



Chatbot “Taking Care of IDPs (Turbota)”



Citylight campaign for the chatbot “Taking Care of IDPs (Turbota)”



Billboard campaign for the chatbot “Taking Care of IDPs (Turbota)”



Metro advertising campaign for the chatbot “Taking Care of IDPs (Turbota)”

EDUCATIONAL AND AWARENESS-RAISING ACTIVITIES AND COOPERATION WITH HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

In 2023, the Crimean Tatar Resource Center (CTRC), jointly with the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom Ukraine, held the annual International Summer Camp “Freedom Camp.” The event lasted 7 days and took place in Zakarpattia region.

The main objective of the camp was to train young activists in methods of non-violent resistance to the occupation of Crimea, as well as to develop new information campaigns aimed at supporting the struggle for human rights and the deoccupation of the peninsula.

Participants received up-to-date information on the situation in Crimea and the activities of the CTRC. The program also included training sessions and practical workshops devoted to strategies of non-violent resistance, information security, and advocacy activities. Following the theoretical component, the activists worked on developing new informational campaigns in support of Crimea and the rights of the Crimean Tatar people.+

In 2023, the camp brought together 20 activists from mainland Ukraine and occupied Crimea. After completing the program, they joined the CTRC volunteer network and became part of the international movement in support of Crimea.

The CTRC continues to actively engage new generations of activists in the struggle for the freedom of Crimea and the protection of human rights.



Freedom Camp – 2023



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Meeting with Representatives of Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute

In addition, in 2023 the CTRC continued its active cooperation with universities and research institutions. In particular, a memorandum of cooperation was signed with Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute.

INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY

In order to inform the international community about the situation in Crimea, in 2023 the Crimean Tatar Resource Center (CTRC) held 28 meetings with representatives of embassies and international organizations in Ukraine.

In 2023, CTRC representatives participated in 14 international events, including sessions of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and others.



“Meeting with Representatives of the UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission



Meeting with the Minister of Culture of Croatia – Nina Obuljen Koržinek



Meeting with the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights – Dunja Mijatović

The materials collected during this work also served as the basis for preparing and submitting relevant statements, appeals, and reports to universal and regional human rights protection mechanisms.

In 2023, the CTRC submitted 28 statements and reports to international bodies, including:

- ◆ the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- ◆ the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues;
- ◆ the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights;
- ◆ the UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief;
- ◆ the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe;
- ◆ the United States Institute of Peace;
- ◆ the Human Dimension Committee of the OSCE Permanent Council.

Individual communications were also submitted to the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances.

Twelve of these submissions were presented during statements delivered at sessions of the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the OSCE Supplementary Human Dimension Meetings, the Human Dimension Committee of the OSCE Permanent Council, the Parliamentary Summit of the International Crimea Platform, and the Council of Europe.

Informing about the Environmental Situation in Occupied Crimea

- ◆ a speech by Eskender Bariiev at the Second Parliamentary Summit of the Crimea Platform in the Czech Republic;
- ◆ a speech by Zarema Bariieva at the event “Inside Ukraine. How does Ukrainian Civil Society Struggle, Survive and Succeed under War Conditions?” in Turkey;
- ◆ speeches by Eskender Bariiev and Liudmyla Korotkykh at the

- ◆ 16th session of the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Switzerland;
- ◆ a speech by Tetiana Savchuk at the OSCE Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting in Austria. In 2023, CTRC experts continued to participate in the work of the Crimea Platform

In 2023, CTRC experts continued to participate in the work of the Crimea Platform Expert Network and continued to lead and develop 2 of its 7 working groups: “Restoration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as a Tool for the Deoccupation of Crimea” and “Ecology and Economy.”

The CTRC not only coordinated these areas but also systematically worked on their substantive development. In cooperation with other members of the working groups, analytical documents, reports, expert statements, and publications were prepared, contributing to the development of effective strategies for the deoccupation of Crimea.



A speech by Eskender Bariiev at the Second Parliamentary Summit of the Crimea Platform in the Czech Republic



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A speech by Tetiana Savchuk at the OSCE Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting in Austria.

INFORMING ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL SITUATION IN OCCUPIED CRIMEA

In 2023, the Crimean Tatar Resource Center (CTRC) continued to conduct systematic monitoring of the environmental situation in occupied Crimea. This information is reflected in the organization’s monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, 9-month and annual “Analysis of Human Rights Violations in Occupied Crimea,” as well as in the dedicated website section titled “Environmental Monitoring in Crimea.”

Data obtained through this monitoring is communicated to international organizations and the wider public through participation in international forums, conferences, meetings, and media engagement. CTRC experts are active members of the “Ecology and Economy” Working Group of the Crimea Platform Expert Network.

From November 30 to December 12, the 28th UN Climate Change Conference (COP28) was held in Dubai. Within the framework of this event, the CTRC, jointly with the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine and the Ecoclub NGO, conducted two side events:

- ◆ “Impact on Climate Change: Crimea, Indigenous Peoples and International Crimes”;
- ◆ “Renewable Energy Sources and Climate Impacts: Ecocide, Green Reconstruction, Indigenous Perspectives on War-Stricken Ukraine”.

In addition, the CTRC organized an exhibition dedicated to the environmental consequences of russian aggression in Crimea.



Renewable Energy Sources and Climate Impacts: Ecocide, Green Reconstruction, Indigenous Perspectives on War-Stricken Ukraine



Impact on Climate Change: Crimea, Indigenous Peoples and International Crimes



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Exhibition dedicated to the environmental consequences of russian aggression in Crimea



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FINANCIAL REPORT

In 2023, the CTRC received UAH 8,823,855.92 (Tables 1–2).

Nº	SOURCE	AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
1	Open Society Foundations	60 791,12	0,69 %
2	NATO Information and Documentation Centre (NIDC)	320 290,00	3,63 %
3	USAID/Engage	3 670 590,13	41,60 %
4	International Renaissance Foundation	3 072 766,17	34,82 %
5	European Endowment for Democracy (EED)	11 102,50	0,13 %
6	Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom Ukraine	1 688 316,00	19,13 %
	TOTAL	8 823 855,92	100 %

Table 1. Income for 2023

Nº	DIRECTION	AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
1	Business trips of staff members and volunteers	89 118,53	1,01 %
2	Conferences, seminars, and other events	2 305 503,91	26,13 %
3	Communications (websites, social media, media outreach, video production, design, visualization)	2 331 878,04	26,43 %
4	Fees for experts, trainers, authors, researchers, etc.	1 861 184,44	21,09 %
5	Publications	0,00	0,00 %
6	Translations	173 651,74	1,97 %
7	Salaries of full-time staff	1 249 564,70	14,16 %
8	Taxes, social security, and pension contributions	446 499,41	5,06 %
9	Administrative expenses (including office rent, repairs and maintenance of premises; communications services, banking services, stationery, and other office expenses)	366 455,15	4,15 %
10	Equipment	0,00	0,00 %
	TOTAL	8 823 855,92	100 %

Table 2. Expenses for 2023



Crimean Tatar
Resource Center