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# CRIMEAN HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION REVIEW

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The **Crimean Human Rights Group (CHRG)** is an organization of the Crimean human rights defenders and journalists, the purpose of which is to promote the observance and protection of human rights in Crimea by attracting widespread attention to the problems of human rights and international humanitarian law in the territory of the Crimean peninsula, as well as the search and development of mechanisms to protect the human rights in Crimea.

The **CHRG** first of all obey the rules of basic documents in the field of human rights, such as: the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Helsinki Final Act, the Convention on the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on economic, social and cultural Rights and others.

The main objectives of the CHRG:

- 1) Collection and analysis of the information regarding the human rights situation in Crimea;
- 2) Broad awareness among governments, international organizations, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, the media and other target groups through the publication and spreading of analytical and information materials on the human rights situation in Crimea;
- 3) Promote the protection of human rights and respect for international law in Crimea;
- 4) Preparation of recommendations for government authorities and international organizations in the sphere of human rights;
- 5) Providing the presence of "human rights in the Crimea topics" in the information space.

The **CHRG's** team consists of experts, human rights activists and journalists from different countries who are involved in monitoring and documenting human rights violations in Crimea, since February, 2014.

During preparation and spreading of the information the **CHRG** is guided by principles of objectivity, reliability and timeliness.



### 2. CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS

### RIGHT TO LIBERTY AND SECURITY OF THE PERSON

### **SEARCHES AND DETENTIONS**

On July 7, mass searches and detentions of Muslims took place in Crimea. According to relatives, <sup>1</sup>, the searches began at 4:00am at the addresses of 8 houses — at Emil Ziyadinov, Ismet Ibragimov, Diliaver Memetov, Vadim Bektemirov, Alim Sufyanov, Seyran Khayredinov, Zekirya Muratov and Alexander Sizikov. The searches were carried out with gross violations of rights and procedural norms.

Lawyer I. Veliliayev said that the FSB officers had not let Emil Ziyadinov into his house during the search. <sup>2</sup> According to the statement of Ziyadinov's wife, her and Emil Ziyadinov's mobile phones were taken away and they were forbidden to call their lawyers. The RF FSB officers did not read out her rights during the search and did not show the spouse the search report and the 'court' resolution on the search.<sup>3</sup>

Seyran Khayredinov's wife informed that before the start of the search, the RF FSB officers forced the family members to 'house' in one room, and were walking around the house without being accompanied by the homeowners.<sup>4</sup>

During the search of Vadim Bektemirov's house, the RF FSB officers stated that those living in the house had no right to call, including calls to a lawyer, and took away their mobile phones till the end of the search. This was reported by the wife of Vadim Bektemirov.<sup>5</sup>

Lawyer L.Gemendzhi reported that she had arrived at Ismet Ibragimov's house at 5:00am, but the FSB officers refused to let her in to the place where her clients were being searched. <sup>6</sup>

After the searches, six people were detained (for more details, see the section "The Case of Crimean Muslims").

On July 30, the RF FSB officers announced the arrest of a "Russian military man" who was said to have transferred the data to the Main Intelligence Directorate of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine, in Sevastopol. The FSB reported that the "Sevastopol Garrison Military Court" had placed him in the pre-trial detention. <sup>7</sup> The RF FSB press service did not disclose the information of the detainee, and the website of the 'Sevastopol Garrison Military Court 'did not publish information about a hearing on applying the restraint measure.

https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1171549789879142

https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=310451630078511

https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2621344231451178

<sup>4</sup> https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=317736555907058

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=914941502314219

<sup>6</sup> https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=293575305166760

<sup>7</sup> https://www.facebook.com/crimeahrg/videos/989599301505478/



### POLITICALLY MOTIVATED CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

As of end of July 2020, **104 persons** were deprived of liberty within a politically motivated criminal or religious persecution. The full list is published at the CHRG website.<sup>8</sup>

### "CASE OF MAY 3"

The "Case of May 3" was started by the Russian authorities against the residents of Crimea, who on May 3, 2014 came to the administrative border between the Kherson region and Crimea, demanding to let the leader of the Crimean Tatar people Mustafa Dzhemilev, who intended to go to Crimea, into Crimea. Within this case, in 2014-2015 more than 150 administrative fines were imposed for participating in an "unauthorized mass event" and 4 criminal sentences under RF CC Article 318 (Use of violence against a representative of authority) were passed.

On July 23 the first court hearing on the merits was held in the case against **Mustafa Dzhemilev**, with the 'Prosecutor's Office' read out the charging document. One of the charges under the case is an illegal crossing of the RF border.<sup>9</sup>

### "CASE OF CRIMEAN MUSLIMS"

This case defendants are accused of membership in Muslim religious organizations or propaganda of activities of the organizations that are declared terrorist or extremist in the RF though they are not according to the Ukrainian laws.

In July the total number of Crimean residents deprived of liberty under the 'Case of Crimean Muslims' increased to **71 persons**, and **5 more people** are under the movement restriction: **3** are subject to supervision, and are not allowed to leave Crimea, and **2** are on house arrest.

On July 7, after the mass searches, FSB officers detained 6 people: <sup>10</sup> Emil Ziyadinov, Ismet Ibragimov, Vadim Bektemirov, Alim Sufyanov, Seyran Khayredinov and Alexander Sizikov. Diliaver Memetov's house was also searched, but he was absent at the time of the house search, and they could not detain him.

On July 7, Olga Kuznetsova, a judge of the 'Kievsky District Court of Simferopol', under the same case, decided to place Alexander Sizikov on house arrest until September 2, 2020 as pre-trial restraint measure, taking into account that he is a visually impaired group 1. <sup>11</sup> On July 8 and 9, the 'Kievsky District Court of Simferopol', placed other six detainees in the pre-trial detention until September 2, 2020. The RF FSB is suspecting Alexander Sizikov, Vadim Bektemirov, Emil Ziyadinov, Ismet Ibragimov and Diliaver Memetov 'of organizing Hizb ut-Tahrir units' under the RF Criminal Code(RF CC) Article 205.5-1 (*Management of the terrorist organization operations'*), Zekirya Muratov, Alim Sufyanov, and Seyran Khayredinov — 'of membership in these units' under the RF CC Article 205.5-2 (*membership in the terrorist organization*). <sup>12</sup> The 'Kievsky District Court of Simferopol' website has not published any information on the sessions dedicated to the detained Muslims cases.

<sup>8</sup> https://crimeahrg.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/lisheniya-svobody-iyul\_2020.pdf

https://www.facebook.com/nikolay.polozov/posts/3242222555843118

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> For more detail see section 'Detentions and Searches'

<sup>&</sup>quot;«CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY» / Court in Crimea Placed 1st Degree Vision Impaired Aleksandr Sizikov on House Arrest <a href="https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/07/07/sud-v-krymu-otpravil-pod-domashnij-arest-invalida-pervoj-gruppy-po-zreniyu-aleksandra-sizikova-478">https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/07/07/sud-v-krymu-otpravil-pod-domashnij-arest-invalida-pervoj-gruppy-po-zreniyu-aleksandra-sizikova-478</a>

<sup>«</sup>CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY» / «Court Verdict Was Expected". Crimea Tatars Detained on July 7 Under Arrest For 2 Months <a href="https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/07/09/reshenie-suda-bylo-prognoziruemym-zaderzhannyx--iyulya-krymskix-tatar-arestovali-na--mesyaca-481">https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/07/09/reshenie-suda-bylo-prognoziruemym-zaderzhannyx--iyulya-krymskix-tatar-arestovali-na--mesyaca-481</a>



On July 21, Anatoliy Osochenko, a judge of the "Supreme Court of the Republic of Crimea" ("SCRC") upheld the decision to keep Zekirya Muratov <sup>13</sup> in custody. On July 23, Alla Ovchinnikova, a 'SCRC' judge, upheld the decision to keep Alim Sufyanov in custody, and Anatoliy Latynin, a 'SCRC' judge, upheld the decision on the house arrest of Alexander Sizikov. <sup>14</sup> On July 30, Aleksey Posledov, a 'SCRC' judge, upheld the decision to keep Emil Ziyadinov in custody. <sup>15</sup>

On July 7, Anatoliy Osochenko, a 'SCRC' judge, upheld the decision to keep **Seytumer Seytumerov, Osman Seytumerov and Rustem Seytmemetov** in custody until August 9. <sup>16</sup>

On July 9, Dmitriy Tepliuk, a judge of the Military Court of Appeal (RF), upheld the decision to keep **Rustem Emiruseinov, Eskander Abdulganiyev and Arsen Abkhairov** in custody until September 14. <sup>17</sup>

Since July 13, the Third General Jurisdiction Court of Appeal in Sochi (RF) had been considering appeals of the defense against the detention of Crimean Muslims detained in March 2019. The hearings were held on July 13 <sup>18</sup>, 15 <sup>19</sup>, 16 <sup>20</sup>, 20 and 22 <sup>21</sup>, 23. <sup>22</sup> The appeals were considered by judges German Alexandrov, Olga Silina, Yelena Kaporina, Vyacheslav Slepchenko, Yelena Udod, Konstantin Safonov. The lawyers said that the cases of Riza Izetov, Remzi Bekirov, Eskender Suleimanov, Tofik Abdulgaziyev, Dzhemil Gafarov, Farkhod Bazarov, Vladlen Abdulkadyrov and Yashar Muedinov were considered for July 13-16 <sup>23</sup>, the case of Rustem Sheikhalilov on July 22, <sup>24</sup> and the case of Osman Arifmemetov <sup>25</sup> and Rustem Suleymanov <sup>26</sup> — on July 23.

When considering the case of Osman Arifmemetov, judge Olga Silina cancelled the decision of the first instance to keep him in custody, but then, on her own initiative, without a request from the prosecutor and the investigator, she extended his detention until 23 August. <sup>27</sup> In the remaining cases, detention decisions remained in effect.

<sup>13 «</sup>SCRC» / List of cases to be heard on 21 July 2020. Case 22K-1987/2020 https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=21.07.2020

<sup>«</sup>SCRC» / List of cases to be heard on 23 July 2020. Cases 22H-2029/2020 и 22H-2030/2020 <a href="https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=23.07.2020">https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=23.07.2020</a>

<sup>&</sup>quot;SCRC" / List of cases to be heard on 30 July 2020. Case 22K-2128/2020 <a href="https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=30.07.2020">https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=30.07.2020</a>

<sup>\*</sup>SCRC» / List of cases to be heard on 7 July 2020. Case 22Π-108/2020 https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=07.07.2020

Military Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 9 July 2020. Case 55K-167/2020 <a href="https://vap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=09.07.2020">https://vap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=09.07.2020</a>

Third General Jurisdiction Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 13 July 2020. Case 55K-428/2020 <a href="https://3ap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=13.07.2020">https://3ap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=13.07.2020</a>

Third General Jurisdiction Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 15 July 2020. Cases 55K-444/2020, 55K-441/2020, 55K-445/2020, 55K-448/2020, https://3ap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=15.07.2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Third General Jurisdiction Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 16 July 2020. Cases 55K-440/2020, 55K-447/2020, 55K-443/2020, 55K-446/2020, 55K-442/2020, 55K-439/2020 <a href="https://sap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=16.07.2020">https://sap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=16.07.2020</a>

Third General Jurisdiction Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 20 July 2020. Cases 55K-455/2020, 55K-456/2020 <a href="https://3ap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=20.07.2020">https://3ap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=20.07.2020</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Third General Jurisdiction Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 20 July 2020. Cases 55K-464/2020, 55K-466/2020 https://3ap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=20.07.2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> «Crimean Solidarity» / Court of Appeal Kept Eight Defendants of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Simferopol Hizb-ut-Takhrir Case in Detention <a href="https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/07/17/apellyacionnyj-sud-ostavil-v-sizo-vosmeryx-figurantov-vtorogo-simferopolskogo-dela-xizb-uttaxrir--491">https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/07/17/apellyacionnyj-sud-ostavil-v-sizo-vosmeryx-figurantov-vtorogo-simferopolskogo-dela-xizb-uttaxrir--491</a>

<sup>24</sup> https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1183573595343428

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1184439228590198

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1184481748585946

https://www.facebook.com/alexey.ladin.3/posts/3060152077435490

### "UKRAINIAN SABOTEURS' CASE"

As of the end of July 2020, at least 15 people, accused by the RF FSB of 'preparing subversions, storing the arms and /or spying' when detained, were in custody: Andrey Zakhtey, Vladimir Dudka, Dmitriy Shtyblikov, Alexey Bessarabov, Gleb Shabliy, Leonid Parkhomenko, Gennadiy Limeshko, Yunus Masharipov, Dmitriy Dolgopolov, Anna Sukhonosova, Konstantin Davydenko, Ivan Yatskin, Galina Dovgopolaya, Denis Kashuk, Konstantin Shiring. In addition, T.Kuz'menko is on house arrest. These cases feature recorded facts of unlawful investigation methods, torturing to get confessions, violation of presumption of innocence, dissemination of 'confession' videos by the RF FSB via the Russian mass media.

On July 23, Albina Galimova, the judge of the Lefortovo District Court of Moscow, extended the detention period for 65-year-old resident of Sevastopol **Ms Galina Dovgopolaya**, detained in November 2019 by FSB officers on suspicion of "committing high treason" (*RF CC Article 275 stipulates an uncontested punishment in the form of imprisonment for 12 to 20 years*), for the third time. <sup>28</sup>

# PERSECUTION FOR CHARGING WITH BEING IN N.CHELEBIDJIKHAN BATALLION

As of the end of July, **five people** were deprived of liberty under a charge of being in N.Chelebidjikhan battalion. The official reason for persecuting the accused in Crimea under RF CC Article 208-2 is that they failed to come voluntarily to the RF law enforcement bodies and declare their participation in the Crimean Tatar Noman Chelebidjikhan Volunteer Batallion. The evidence of the battalion actions against the RF interests declared by the investigation is the information of mass media that the purpose of the battalion establishment was to de-occupy Crimea.

On July 20, Irina Erokhina, a judge of the 'Chernomorskiy District Court', sentenced Crimean resident **Nariman Mezhmedinov** to 8 years in prison under RF CC Art. 208-2 (*Participation in an illegal armed formation for purposes contrary to the interests of the Russian Federation*) for being in the N.Chelebidzhikhan battalion.<sup>29</sup>

### PERSECUTION OF "JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES"

As of the end of July, **2 persons** were deprived of their liberty in Crimea on criminal charges against Jehovah's Witnesses.

On July 17, local media reported, citing the RF FSB press service, that the FSB officers had searched the house of a man born in 1968, who "is suspected of being a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses religious organization', in Simeiz.<sup>30</sup>

https://crimeahrg.org/ru/pozhiluyu-figurantku-dela-ukrainskih-diversantov-i-shpionov-galinu-dovgopoluyu-ostavili-v-sizo/?fbclid=lwAR2ekOX Re3kLJ5HX6cE2il4WxCbtjdM2qVeY7uLyTezVc1okzxPGjcrij4o

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> CHRG / Crimean Nariman Mezhmedinov Sentences To 8 Years in Penal Colony for Being in Crimean Tatar Battalion <a href="https://crimeahrg.org/ru/krymchanina-narimana-mezhmedinova-prigovorili-k-8-godam-kolonii-za-uchastie-v-krymskotatarskom-batalone/">https://crimeahrg.org/ru/krymchanina-narimana-mezhmedinova-prigovorili-k-8-godam-kolonii-za-uchastie-v-krymskotatarskom-batalone/</a>

<sup>30</sup> RIA Novosti Kryma / Border Guards Detected Jehovah's Witnesses Sect Unit in Simeiz <a href="https://crimea.ria.ru/incidents/20200717/1118516780/V-Simeize-pogranichniki-vyyavili-yacheyku-sekty-Svideteley-legovy.html">https://crimea.ria.ru/incidents/20200717/1118516780/V-Simeize-pogranichniki-vyyavili-yacheyku-sekty-Svideteley-legovy.html</a>



### CONFINEMENT CONDITIONS IN CUSTODIAL SETTING

On July 7, **Rustem Seytmemetov**, a defendant in the "case of Crimean Muslims," told the lawyers that there were only 20 sleeping places in the cell of Pre-Trial Detention Center No. 1 in Simferopol, where he and 23 other people were kept. Due to the heat, he started suffering health problems, but the administration of the pre-trial detention center refused to give him medicines brought by his relatives.<sup>31</sup>

On July 7, **Muslim Aliyev**, a defendant in the "case of Crimean Muslims," told his lawyer that in the Pre-Trial Detention Center in Taganrog (RF) he was kept in the basement with a sealed window. He said that he had been placed in such conditions after refusing to take part in the referendum on amendments to the Constitution of the Russian Federation.<sup>32</sup>

On July 17 R.Kiamilev reported that **Eskander Suleymanov**, a defendant of the 'Case of Crimean Muslims', in the Simferopol Pre-Trial Detention Center, had been kept for two months in the cell with a person exposed to the human TB. <sup>33</sup>

<sup>31</sup> https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1171896313177823

<sup>32</sup> https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1176481606052627

https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/videos/304666087578672



### FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, CONSCIENCE AND RELIGION

On July 6, Oksana Shidakova, a 'SCRC' judge, upheld the judgment on a fine of RUR30,000 against Imam **Diliaver Khalilov** for holding Friday prayers. The RF police accused the imam under Art. 20.2-2 of the Code of Administrative Offenses of the Russian Federation (RF CoAO) (*Organization of an unauthorized mass event*). The "judges" of the first and second instances in Crimea decided to prosecute the imam for violating this article, although the prayer is not included in the list of mass events, thus, there is no offense. <sup>34</sup> Moreover, lawyer E. Kurbedinov said that Oksana Shidakova had come to the hearing on cosidering the appeal of Imam Diliaver Khalilov with a pre-prepared decision. <sup>35</sup>

On July 23, employees of the Federal Service of Bailiffs of the Russian Federation handed over a decree on demolishing the church in Yevpatoriya to Rev. Kliment, Archbishop of the Crimean Diocese of the **Orthodox Church of Ukraine (OCU)**. The decision to demolish the religious building was made by the Crimean "court" due to the alleged defendant's failure to present the evidence confirming the "legality of the use of the land plot and building" by the OCU religious community in Yevpatoriya. <sup>36</sup>

In addition, the Russian authorities are demanding that the OCU leave the building of the Cathedral of Saints Vladimir and Olga in Simferopol. The Supreme Court of the Russian Federation is finishing the consideration of a complaint against the decision to move the OCU community out from the Cathedral in Simferopol.

### FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND ASSOCIATION

On July 28 it became known that the RF police handed **Sergey Akimov**, ataman (head) of the Crimean Kazakdom NGO, a warning about "inadmissibility of committing offenses or antisocial behavior." He believes that this is the reaction of the authorities de facto to his notification of a single man protest aimed at "ending the political and criminal persecution of Nikolay Platoshkin", a Russian politician, who is under house arrest.

<sup>34 «</sup>SCRC» / List of cases to be heard on 6 July 2020. Case 12-215/2020 <a href="https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=06.07.2020">https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud\_delo&srv\_num=1&H\_date=06.07.2020</a>

https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1171119769922144

Statement of human rights organizations due to the destruction of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine in Crimea <a href="https://crimeahrg.org/uk/zayava-pravozahisnih-organizaczij-z-privodu-znishhennya-pravoslavnoi-czerkvi-ukraini-u-krimu/">https://crimeahrg.org/uk/zayava-pravozahisnih-organizaczij-z-privodu-znishhennya-pravoslavnoi-czerkvi-ukraini-u-krimu/</a>



### FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT

In July, border guards of the RF FSB began to fine the residents of Crimea under the RF CoAO Article 18.1-1 (*violation of the rules for crossing the border of the Russian Federation*) for an attempt to cross the checkpoint with Crimea with a Ukrainian national passport. According to the FSB, a Ukrainian passport for entry (exit) to the peninsula is invalid for those who live in Crimea. <sup>37</sup> To cross the checkpoint, the Russian border guards demand the residents of Crimea to present only a Russian national passport issued in Crimea in violation of international norms. Thus, the actions of the border guards continue the policy of the Russian authorities to impose Russian citizenship on the residents of Crimea.

In addition, the border guards of the RF FSB are now handing the residents of Crimea notifications that they may only once leave the peninsula and return back (previously, this notification was verbal). If they try to leave Crimea again, they will be denied exit until the end of the "quarantine" restrictions. The Russian authorities formally explain the restriction of single time exit by the fight against the spread of COVID-19 in Crimea. 38. However, at the same time, dozens of planes arrive in Crimea every day from Moscow, which is the most infected region of the Russian Federation, where the number of active patients with COVID-19 is several times higher than the total number of such patients throughout Ukraine.

<sup>37</sup> CHRG / RF Border Guards Began to Fine Residents of Crimea for Attempt to Cross Administrative Border with Crimea on Ukrainian Passport <a href="https://crimeahrg.org/ru/pogranichniki-rf-nachali-shtrafovat-krymchan-za-popytku-peresech-admingraniczu-s-krymom-po-ukrainskomu-pasportu/">https://crimeahrg.org/ru/pogranichniki-rf-nachali-shtrafovat-krymchan-za-popytku-peresech-admingraniczu-s-krymom-po-ukrainskomu-pasportu/</a>

<sup>38</sup> CHRG / Olga Skrypnyk. Key Challenge Now — Single Time Exit Via Russian Checkpoints <a href="https://crimeahrg.org/ru/olga-skripnik-osnovnaya-problema-sejchas-eto-odnorazovyj-vyezd-cherez-rossijskie-kpw">https://crimeahrg.org/ru/olga-skripnik-osnovnaya-problema-sejchas-eto-odnorazovyj-vyezd-cherez-rossijskie-kpw</a>



### 3. VIOLATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW

## GENEVA CONVENTION (IV) RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF CIVILIAN PERSONS IN TIME OF WAR

CONSCRIPTION OF PERSONS LIVING IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY INTO ARMED FORCES OF OCCUPYING POWER AND PROPAGANDA OF JOINING VOLUNTARILY THE ARMED FORCES

The CHRG in July recorded **8 new criminal cases** against Crimea residents under RF CC Art. 328 (*evading the military service in the Russian Federation Armed Forces*), and **9** new sentences awarded under this article, including 4 in the "Leninsky District Court of Sevastopol' ('judge' Anatoliy Vasilenko <sup>39</sup>), 3 — in the 'Tsentralny District Court of Simferopol' ('judges' Sergey Demenok and Viktor Mozheliansky <sup>40</sup>), 1 — in the 'Nizhnegorsky District Court' ('judge' Yekaterina Solodovnik <sup>41</sup>), and 1 — in the 'Pervomaysky District Court' ('judge' Anna Klimova <sup>42</sup>). Totally, as of the end of July 2020 the CHRG documented **125** criminal cases initiated for evading the RF Army military service, that were sent to the Crimean 'courts' for considering, with verdicts delivered for **113** of them and **12** being still under consideration.

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