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## PERSONS CONTRIBUTING TO MILITARIZATION OF EDUCATIONAL SPACE OF CRIMEA AND ELIMINATION OF NATIONAL IDENTITY OF CHILDREN – CITIZENS OF UKRAINE

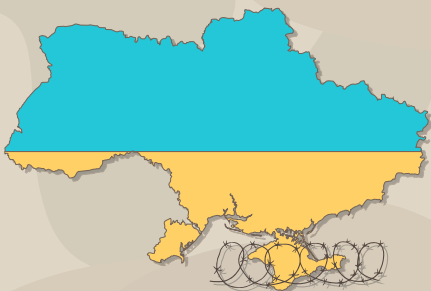
### WHAT HAPPENED?

After the occupation of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol by the Russian Federation, the education system of the peninsula has become one of the key tools for the subjection of the civilian population and the militarization of the citizens of Ukraine.

### THE MAIN GOALS OF "PATRIOTIC EDUCATION" IN CRIMEA ARE THE

elimination of the Ukrainian and Crimean Tatar identity of Crimean children and the formation of their identity as a "universal Russian citizen", that means:

- readiness to "fulfill civil duty and constitutional obligations to protect the interests" of the Russian Federation,
- formation of "necessary qualities and skills for military service in the armed forces of the Russian Federation, other military formations", etc.



### "THE CULT OF WAR AND VIOLENCE"

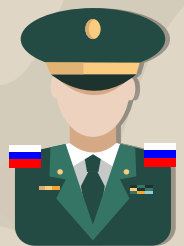
An integral part of the Russian education system in Crimea has become the cult of war, violence, weapons, developing of perception of Ukraine and Western countries as enemies, tolerance of Soviet government crimes, distortion of facts about events in Ukraine, etc. Such a system makes it impossible to cultivate respect for human rights, to train children in the spirit of understanding, peace and tolerance. In addition, it deprives children, citizens of Ukraine, of the opportunity to preserve their Ukrainian identity.



### PROPAGANDA OF "PATRIOTIC EDUCATION"

Many occupation authorities and public associations ("Voluntary Society for Assistance to the Army, Aviation and Navy of Russia", YUNARMIYA, Krympatriotsentr) are involved into the achievement of 'patriotic education' goals, and officials and members of such organizations directly implement the RF policy on militarization of children, knowing that they are acting in the interests of the occupying power.

Moreover, as part of the promotion of service in the RF Armed Forces, educational establishments of the Crimea implement mandatory programs of so-called "military-patriotic education", create military educational institutions for children and dedicated paramilitary classes, while Russian-controlled public militarist organizations regularly hold events to involve the children in the Russian army. The international humanitarian law prohibits not only coercion to serve in the armed forces of the occupying country, but also the promotion of such service, so such actions of the Russian Federation constitute a serious violation of IHL and can be considered a war crime, and those directly involved - as military criminals



### WHY SUCH PERSONS SHOULD BE LISTED?

In order to draw attention to these mass violations and prevent future violations, persons, representatives of the occupying power and the education sector of the Crimean Peninsula, whose actions have led or continue to promote developing the cult of war, violence, perception of Ukraine and Western countries as enemies, tolerance for crimes of the Soviet government, distortion of facts about events in Ukraine, etc. in the conscience of Crimean children, have been listed.

The initiative is the result of consolidating the efforts of the Mission of the President of Ukraine in the AR of Crimea, the Crimean Human Rights Group, the ZMINA Human Rights Center and the Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union.