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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 December 4, in the village of Grushevka, RF FSB men searched at **Mr. Kazim Ametov's**, a Crimean Tatar activist. The search was led by RF FSB investigator K. Mitrofanov. The reason for the search was the suspicion that Kazim Ametov's son, Guliver Ametov, was in N. Chelebidzhikhan Crimean Tatar battalion. Mr. Ametov said that two search witnesses had been brought by the FSB men.¹

On December 28, the police detained journalist **Vilen Temeryanov** in violation of procedural norms and the right to legal protection (*for more detail, see the section "Freedom of Expression"*).

POLITICALLY MOTIVATED CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

As of end of December 2020, **109 persons** at least were deprived of liberty within a politically motivated criminal and/or religious persecution. The full list is published at the CHRG website.²

"CASE OF CRIMEAN MUSLIMS"

This case defendants are accused of membership in Muslim religious organizations³ 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. Cases are considered in violation of the right to a fair trial, the main evidence for the court is the testimony of anonymous witnesses (many of whom are RF FSB men), pre-trial testimony of witnesses who later declare in court that such testimony was given under duress, and linguistic examinations of conversations of the accused Muslims. The evidence provided by the defense is usually not accepted by the judges.

In December the total number of Crimean residents deprived of liberty under the 'Case of Crimean Muslims' was **69 persons**, and **5 more people** are under the movement restriction: **3** are subject to supervision, and are not allowed to leave the occupied territory, and **2** are on house arrest.

On December 1, the "Supreme Court of the Republic of Crimea" ("SCRC") upheld the decision to keep **Mr. Alim Sufyanov** and **Mr. Seyran Khayretdinov** in custody until March 2, 2021.⁴ The case was considered by "judge" Anatoliy Osochenko.⁵

¹ https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1297742933926493&id=403544516679677

² https://crimeahrg.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/prisoners_12_2020.pdf

³ In most cases this organization is 'Hizb-ut-Takhrir'

⁴ https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=2775562762729347&id=1676669515952016

⁵ «SCRC» / List of cases to be heard on 01 Dec 2020. Case no 22K-3591/2020 https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=01.12.2020



On December 3, the Third Court of Appeal in City of Sochi (RF) upheld the decision to keep **Mr.Ruslan Suleymanov** and **Mr.Seyran Murtaza** in custody until December 15, 2020.⁶ The case was considered by judges Konstantin Safonov and Zhanna Totskaya.⁷

On December 7, the “SCRC” extended the period of detention of **Mr.Rustem Seytkhalilov** until January 6, 2021.⁸

On December 8, the “SCRC” extended the period of detention of **Mr.Asan Yanikov**, **Mr.Seitveli Seytabdiyev**, **Mr.Akim Bekirov** until January 14, 2021 and that of **Mr.Eskender Suleymanov** until January 9, 2021;⁹ that of **Mr.Remzi Bekirov**, **Mr.Farkhod Bazarov**, **Mr.Shaban Umerov**, **Mr.Dzhemil Gafarov**, **Mr.Raim Aivazov** and **Mr.Riza Izetov** until January 14, 2021. Alexey Kozyrev and Viktor Zin'kov are among the “judges” who passed these judgements.¹⁰

On December 10, the “SCRC” extended the period of detention of **Mr.Alim Karimov**, **Mr.Rustem Sheykhaliyev**, **Mr.Erfan Osmanov**, **Mr.Osman Arifmemetov**, **Mr.Medzhit Abdurakhmanov**, **Mr.Izzet Abdullayev**, **Mr.Vladlen Abdulkadyrov** and **Mr.Ruslan Suleymanov** until January 14, 2021.¹¹ On December 11, and December 14 the same judgements were passed regarding **Mr.Yashar Muedinov**, **Mr.Seyran Murtaza**, **Mr.Tofik Abdulgazyev**,¹² and **Mr.Enver Ametov**,¹³ correspondingly.

On December 11, the “SCRC” upheld the decision on house arrest until March 2 for **Mr.Alexander Sizikov**.¹⁴ The case was considered by “judge” Yuriy Latynin.¹⁵

On December 17, Igor Kostin, a judge of the Southern Area Military Court (YuOVS) in Rostov-na-Donu (RF), extended¹⁶ the period of house arrest for **Mr.Amet Suleymanov** until February 22, 2021.¹⁷ He was transported to Rostov-na-Donu (700 km) by FSIN staff by an office car. The judge rejected a motion by the defense to allow Suleymanov due to his health condition to participate in the next hearings via video link.¹⁸

⁶ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1301132593587527&id=403544516679677

⁷ Third Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 03 Dec 2020. Cases no 55K-776/2020, 55K-778/2020 https://3ap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=03.12.2020

⁸ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1300476316986488&id=403544516679677

⁹ CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY / Court Extended Detention Period for Four Crimean Tatars Arrested under HIZB-ut-TAKHRIR Case for a Month <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/08/sud-prodlil-srok-strazhi-chetverym-krymskim-tataram-arestovannym-po-delu-xizb-uttaxir-na-mesyac-755>

¹⁰ CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY / «Court Is Not Arbitrator For These Cases». Arrest for Six Crimean Tatar Activists Extended Again <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/09/sud-ne-arbitr-po-etim-dela-v-krymu-snova-prodlili-arest-shesterym-krymskotatarskim-aktivistam-762>

¹¹ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302635380103915&id=403544516679677

¹² https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1303482890019164&id=403544516679677

¹³ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1305660643134722&id=403544516679677

¹⁴ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1303193796714740&id=403544516679677

¹⁵ «SCRC» / List of cases to be heard on 11 Dec 2020. Case no 22K-3752/2020 https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=11.12.2020

¹⁶ YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 17 Dec 2020. Case no 1-124/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=17.12.2020

¹⁷ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1312593165774803>

¹⁸ CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY / Court Extended House Arrest for Amet Suleymanov for 2 Months. FSIN To Transport Him to Rostov/na/Donu <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/17/sud-prodlil-domashnij-arest-ametu-sulejmanovu-na-mesyaca-v-rostovnadonu-ego-budet-vozit-fsin-800>



On December 22, YuOVS extended the period of detention of **Mr.Eldar Kantimirov, Mr.Ruslan Mesutov, Mr.Ruslan Nagayev and Mr.Lenur Khalilov** until April 15, 2021.¹⁹ The case was considered by judge Roman Saprunov.²⁰

On December 23, during the debate in the YuOVS, the prosecutor requested sentences of 19 years, 13 years, and 18 years in the maximum security penal colony, with the first 3 years in prison, for the Crimean Muslims, **Mr.Enver Omerov**, his son **Mr.Rize Omerov**, and **Mr. Ayder Dzhapparov**, correspondingly.²¹

On December 28, the YuOVS began hearings on the merits of the case of 25 Crimean Muslims detained in March 2019.²² On December 28, the case of **Raim Ayvazov, Farkhod Bazarov, Remzi Bekirov, Riza Izetov and Shaban Umerov** was being considered by judge Kirill Kravtsov;²³ on December 29, the case of **Akim Bekirov, Seytveli Seytabdiyev, Rustem Seytkhalilov, Eskender Suleymanov and Asan Yanikov** was being considered by judge Kirill Kravtsov,²⁴ the case of **Tofik Abdulgazyev, Vladlen Abdelkadyrov, Izzet Abdullayev, Medzhit Abdurakhmanov and Bilial Adilov** — by judge Timur Mashukov;²⁵ on December 30 — the case of **Enver Ametov, Osman Arifmetov, Yashar Muedinov, Ruslan Suleymanov and Rustem Sheykhaliyev** was being considered by judge Timur Mashukov,²⁶ the case of **Servet Gazyev, Dzhemil Gafarov, Alim Karimov, Seyran Murtaza, and Erfan Osmanov** — judge Timur Mashukov.²⁷

On December 29, the Military Court of Appeal of Vlasikha City (RF) upheld a decision on keeping **Rustem Seytmemetov, Osman Seytumerov, Seytumer Seytumerov** in custody until April 22, 2021 and on **Amet Suleymanov's** house arrest until February 21, 2021.²⁸

“UKRAINIAN SABOTEURS’ CASE”

As of the end of December 2020, at least **15 people**, accused by the RF FSB of ‘preparing subversions, storing the arms and /or spying’ when detained, were in custody. In addition, one woman 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.

¹⁹ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1312593165774803>

²⁰ YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 22 Dec 2020. Case no 1-61/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=22.12.2020

²¹ CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY / Prosecutor Requested 13 to 19 Years’ Sentences for Belogorsk Group Defendants <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/23/prokuror-zaprosil-sroki-ot--do--let-lisheniya-svobody-dlya-figurantov-belogorskoj-gruppy-812>

²² <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1312073992493387>

²³ YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 28 Dec 2020. Case no 1-147/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=28.12.2020

²⁴ YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 29 Dec 2020. Case no 1-148/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=29.12.2020

²⁵ YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 29 Dec 2020. Case no 1-150/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=29.12.2020

²⁶ YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 30 Dec 2020. Case no 1-151/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=30.12.2020

²⁷ YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 30 Dec 2020. Case no 1-149/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=30.12.2020

²⁸ Military Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 29 Dec 2020. Case no 55K-367/2020 https://vap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=29.12.2020



PERSECUTION FOR CHARGING WITH BEING IN N.CHELEBIDJIKHAN BATTALION

As of the end of December, **6 people** were deprived of liberty under a charge of being in N.Chelebidjikhhan 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 Chelebidjikhhan Volunteer Battalion. 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 December 10 lawyer Nikolay Pozoov reported that Alla Khinevich, a 'SCRC judge', sentences **Mr.Lenur Isliamov** in absentia to 19 years in custody for creating the battalion, demolishing electric power posts, and calling for returning Crimea under the control of Ukrainian authorities.²⁹

PERSECUTION OF "JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES"

As of the end of December, at least **6 persons** were deprived of liberty within the persecution of 'Jehovah's Witnesses' in Crimea.

On December 15, "judge of the Sevastopol City Court" Vasily Avkhimov upheld the judgement to keep Jehovah's Witnesses follower **Mr.Vladimir Sakada** in custody until February 28, 2021; on December 16, "judge of the Sevastopol City Court" Vladimir Reshetnyak passed a similar judgement against **Mr.Vladimir Maladyka**.³⁰

OLEH PRIKHODKO'S CASE

On December 2, the YuOVS in Rostov-na-Donu (RF) extended the period of detention for Ukrainian activist Oleh Prykhod'ko until March 16, 2021.³¹ The case was considered by judge Alexey Magomadov.³² On December 29, judge of the Military Court of Appeal in Vlasikha City (RF) Alexander Peresada upheld the judgement to keep the Ukrainian in custody.³³

CONFINEMENT CONDITIONS IN CUSTODIAL SETTING

On December 9, **Mr.Shaban Umerov**, the defendant in the "Case of Crimean Muslims", informed that there was a 10 cm wide gap in the window in the cell of the Simferopol pre-trial detention center where he was kept, so it was very cold in the cell.³⁴

²⁹ https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=3644674928931210&id=100001662173833

³⁰ CHRГ / Crimean 'Court' Kept a 'Jehovah's Witnesses Case' Defendant in Custody <https://crimeahrg.org/ru/krymskij-sud-ostavil-pod-strazhej-figuranta-dela-svidetelej-iegovy>

³¹ <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/02/yuzhnyj-okruzhnoj-voennyj-sud-prodlil-arest-ukrainskomu-aktivistu-olegu-prihodko-na--mesyaca-737>

³² YuOVS / List of cases to be heard on 02 Dec 2020. Case no 1-48/2020 https://yovs--ros.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=02.12.2020

³³ Military Court of Appeal / List of cases to be heard on 29 Dec 2020. Case no 55K-368/2020 https://vap.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=29.12.2020

³⁴ CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY / «Court Is Not Arbitrator For These Cases». Arrest for Six Crimean Tatar Activists Extended Again <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/09/sud-ne-arbitr-po-etim-delam-v-krymu-snova-prodlili-arest-shesterym-krymskotatarskim-aktivistam-762>



On December 9, lawyer R. Yakhin informed that **Mr.Dzhemil Gafarov**, the defendant in the “Case of Crimean Muslims”, had got gout due to staying in the improper conditions of the pre-trial detention center.³⁵

On December 11 lawyer A. Azamatov informed that **Mr.Bilal Adilov**, the defendant in the “Case of Crimean Muslims”, kept in the Simferopol pre-trial detention center, had been diagnosed COVID-19.³⁶

On December 22, Mrs.Diliara Abdullayeva reported that her son, the defendant in the “Case of Crimean Muslims” **Mr.Teymur Abdullayev**, had been again placed in the punishment cell by the administration of Penal Colony-2 in Salavat (RF).³⁷ Since March 2020, when Teymur Abdullayev arrived at the colony, he has been staying in the punishment cell almost all the time.

³⁵ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1301930386841081&id=403544516679677

³⁶ CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY / Political Prisoner Bilial Adilov Diagnosed COVID-19. He Is Simferopol Pre-Trial Detention Center No 1 <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/11/u-politzaklyuchennogo-bilyala-adilova-diagnostirovali-covid-on-naxoditsya-v-sizo-simferopolya-776>

³⁷ https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=856506021772489&id=100022392969328



FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, CONSCIENCE AND RELIGION

In December, the CHRG registered one new administrative proceeding under Art. 5.26 of the Code of Administrative Offences of the Russian Federation (RF CoAO) (*illegal missionary activity*) against **Mr.S. Davtletshayev**, which was being considered in the “court of peace” in Bakhchisarai.³⁸

In total, at the end of December, the CHRG recorded **105 administrative trials** in Crimea against religious organizations and their members under Art. 5.26 of the Code of Administrative Offences of the Russian Federation. Within the framework of these proceedings, imposed fines totaled to at least RUR 1,450,500.

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

On December 8, Law 425-FZ came into force — amending Article 280.1 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation and enacting a new article 280.2 of this Code. The changes are aimed at toughening punishment for calls to violate the territorial integrity of the Russian Federation. The authorities of the Russian Federation consider Crimea as part of their territory, thus, those persons who declare the need to return the occupied Crimea under control of Ukraine will be also subject to persecution.³⁹

On December 18, the ‘Sevastopol City Court’ upheld the verdict (2 years and 6 months of suspended imprisonment) to left-wing activist **Valeriy Bolshakov**. He was sentenced under RF CC Art. 280 (*Public calls for extremist activities*) for critical statements regarding the Russian authorities and ‘Terek Kazakdom’ paramilitary unit.⁴⁰ The case was considered by ‘judge’ Vasily Avkhimov.⁴¹

On December 28 the RF police detained unreasonably journalist **Vilen Temeryanov**. At 9.00AM his car was blocked near his house by the policemen,⁴² who refused to show documents, explain the reason for the detention and ensure a possibility to call a lawyer. As his wife said, the police said that “everything will be told in the court,” they forced him to sit into one of their cars and took the journalist to the Kievsky District of Simferopol police station, and then to the “Central District Court of Simferopol”. He was accused of organizing a non-authorized public event, that he had likely hold on November 3 at the building of the “Crimean Garrison Military Court” during the hearings in the case of “Crimean Muslims”. Mr.Temeryanov was there as a journalist for the GRANI News Outlet.⁴³ On December 30, the ‘Central District Court of Simferopol’ terminated the administrative proceedings in his case due to the lack of corpus delicti.⁴⁴

Monitoring of internet resources access offered by 11 Crimean providers that was hold by the CHRG in December showed that at least **25 Ukrainian websites were blocked** in full, and 5 more in part.⁴⁵

³⁸ <http://mirsud82.rk.gov.ru/> Case 05-0484/26/2020

³⁹ President of Russia / Federal Law no 425-FZ of 8 December 2020 <http://kremlin.ru/acts/bank/46169>

⁴⁰ KRYM.REALII / Court in Sevastopol Upheld Verdict to Activist Charged with Extremism <https://ru.krymr.com/a/news-sud-v-sevastopole-ostvavil-v-sile-prigovor-aktivistu-bolshakovu/31007179.html>

⁴¹ «Sevastopol City Court / List of cases to be heard on 18 December 2020. Case no 22-917/2020 https://gs--sev.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=18.12.2020

⁴² <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1315368202163966>

⁴³ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1315368202163966>

⁴⁴ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1316827595351360>

⁴⁵ CHRG Blocking Ukrainian Online Media in Crimea by At Least 11 Providers in 9 Cities <https://crimeahrg.org/ru/ukrainskie-onlajn-media-v-krymu-blokiruyutsya-minimum-11-provajderami-v-8-gorodah>



FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND ASSOCIATION

The administration of the city of Feodosiya refused to authorize local activist **Alexander Talipov** to hold a rally on December 8 demanding the resignation of the head of the administration, Sergei Bovtunenکو. The reason for the refusal was “high alert regime” in action due to the COVID-19 pandemic.⁴⁶

On December 9, “SCRC judge” Liubov Dyachenko upheld the judgement on a fine of RUR20,000 for activists **Sergei Akimov and Ilya Bolshedvorov** for holding single-man protests in October 2020.⁴⁷

On December 11, “Judge of the Bakhchisaray District Court” Olga Morozko fined **Mrs.Venera Mustafayeva** RUR1,000 rubles for holding a single person protest on September 5, 2020 in support of her son, Server Mustafayev, the defendant in the “case of Crimean Muslims”. Venera Mustafayeva was charged under RF CoAO Art. 20.6.1 (*Failure to comply with the rules of conduct when a high alert regime is in force*).⁴⁸ The judge ruled against Venera Mustafayeva in the absence of the accused and her defense lawyer Lily Gemendzhi.⁴⁹

The Crimean Solidarity Association reported in December that RF policemen were visiting, under various reasons, local activists to interview them and collect personal information.

On December 9, the RF MIA men visited **Mr.Nariman Memedeminov** to conduct a “preventive conversation” about possible peaceful assemblies organized by him;⁵⁰ he is a blogger who has recently served a prison sentence on a politically motivated criminal case; **Mr.Isliam Dzhililov** and **Mr.Murat Ramazanov** in the village of Golubinka;⁵¹ **Mr.Enver Mustafayev** to obtain his personal data in connection with the sale of a stolen item in the area;⁵² **Mr.Ametkhan Umerov** for interviewing by police officers;⁵³ **Mr.Shukri Seytumerov** in Bakhchisarai with the demand to submit an explanatory note, since a robbery had been committed in his area;⁵⁴ the family of the defendant in the “case of the Crimean Muslims”;⁵⁵ **Seyran Saliyev**, due to the theft of building materials at the construction site;⁵⁶ **Ms.Ayshe Yakubova** in Bakhchisarai under the pretext of enumerating the residents of multi-flat buildings;⁵⁷ imam **Diliaver Khalilov** of Zavetnoye village, Sovietsky District, to hand in a warning notice on inadmissibility of participating in the

⁴⁶ Kafanews / Authorities Refused Authorizing Rally for Sergey Bovtunenکو’s Resign https://kafanews.com/novosti/173570/vlasti-otkazali-v-provedenii-mitinga-za-otstavku-sergeya-bovtunenکو_2020-12-02

⁴⁷ «SCRC» / List of cases to be heard on 09 Dec 2020. Cases no 12-649/2020 and 12-651/2020 https://vs--krm.sudrf.ru/modules.php?name=sud_delo&srv_num=1&H_date=09.12.2020

⁴⁸ CHRГ / Mother of Activist Server Mustafayev Fined by ‘Court’ for Single Person Protest in Her Absence at Session <https://crimeahrg.org/ru/mat-aktivista-servera-mustafaeva-sud-oshtrafoval-za-odinochnyj-piket-bez-ee-uchastiya-v-zasedanii>

⁴⁹ CHRГ / Mother of Activist Server Mustafayev Fined by ‘Court’ for Single Person Protest in Her Absence at Session <https://crimeahrg.org/ru/mat-aktivista-servera-mustafaeva-sud-oshtrafoval-za-odinochnyj-piket-bez-ee-uchastiya-v-zasedaniihttps://crimeahrg.org/ru/mat-aktivista-servera-mustafaeva-sud-oshtrafoval-za-odinochnyj-piket-bez-ee-uchastiya-v-zasedanii>

⁵⁰ https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1301853310182122&id=403544516679677

⁵¹ CRIMEAN SOLIDARITY / «DID YOU GO TO MOSCOW FOR PROTESTS” Police Came to Two Crimean Tatars lin Bakhchisarai District <https://crimean-solidarity.org/news/2020/12/09/v-moskvu-na-akcii-vyezhal-v-baxchisarajskom-rajone-policiya-prishla-k-dvum-krymskim-tataram-756>

⁵² https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1301832896850830&id=403544516679677

⁵³ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1301881893512597&id=403544516679677

⁵⁴ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302000610167392&id=403544516679677

⁵⁵ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302000610167392&id=403544516679677

⁵⁶ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302018436832276&id=403544516679677

⁵⁷ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302043276829792&id=403544516679677



'non-authorized events';⁵⁸ **Mr.Zeynur Asanov** in Bakhchisarai District, because a car similar to his seemed to had hit sheep.⁵⁹

Also on December 9, **Mr.Osman Khoshch** received a call from a man who introduced himself as a police officer and asked for his personal data. The police officer explained this by Mr.Khoshch's trip to Moscow to support the defendants in the "case of the Crimean Muslims" in July 2019.⁶⁰

On December 10, two people not wearing uniform introduced themselves to **Mr.Sinaver Nimetullayev** as the police officers. When his son asked them to show their documents and took out his phone, the unknown persons put on masks and left.⁶¹

On December 10, **Mr.Seytmemet Isliamov** was summoned for questioning to the Belogorsk District police department. During the interrogation, police officers asked questions about Isliamov's place of work and private life.⁶²

On December 15, the RF police visited **Mr.Ayder Kurtbekov** in the village of Holodovka;⁶³ **Mr.Ruslan Rustemov**;⁶⁴ **Mr.Ernest Dzhelilov**;⁶⁵ **Mr.Aziz Karakhalilov** in the Kirovsky district for a "preventive conversation" in connection with his detention in Moscow in 2019 during the protest against the persecution of Crimean Tatars;⁶⁶; **Mr.Zekkiya Kulametov** to "warn him in connection with his activist's activities."⁶⁷

On December 16, the RF policemen visited **Mr.Seytveli Aliyev** due to his attending the "political courts" and participating in rallies, and activism.⁶⁸

On December 21, the RF policemen visited **Mr.Refat Kamilov** in Sudak;⁶⁹ **Mr.Bekir Muslimov** in Solnechnaya Dolina;⁷⁰ **Mr.Emin Kenzhakayev** in Sudak;⁷¹ **Mr.Seytosman Karaliyev** in Sudak;⁷² **Mr.Nariman Muedinov** in Sudak.⁷³

On December 23, in the village of Razlivy a person working for the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Russian Federation interviewed a neighbor of local imam **Server Temirkalyaev** about his family, activities, source of income and place of residence.⁷⁴

Most of the Crimean Tatars, visited by the RF policemen in December, have participated in protests against the persecution of the Crimean Tatars or are relatives of the defendants in the "case of the Crimean Muslims."

⁵⁸ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302071173493669&id=403544516679677

⁵⁹ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302343913466395&id=403544516679677

⁶⁰ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302061063494680&id=403544516679677

⁶¹ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302610646773055&id=403544516679677

⁶² https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1302657013435085&id=403544516679677

⁶³ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1306300526404067&id=403544516679677

⁶⁴ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1306369959730457&id=403544516679677

⁶⁵ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1306386603062126&id=403544516679677

⁶⁶ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1306441179723335&id=403544516679677

⁶⁷ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1306826063018180&id=403544516679677

⁶⁸ https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1307748916259228&id=403544516679677

⁶⁹ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1311271045907015>

⁷⁰ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1311289045905215>

⁷¹ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1311408902559896>

⁷² <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1311318345902285>

⁷³ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1311345175899602>

⁷⁴ <https://www.facebook.com/crimeansolidarity/posts/1312222439145209>



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

In December the CHRG recorded **16** new criminal cases against Crimea residents under RF CC Art. 328 (*evading the military service in the Russian Federation Armed Forces*), and **10** new sentences awarded under this article, including 3 — in 'Kirovskoye District Court', 4 — in 'Leninsky District Court of Sevastopol', 1 — in 'Gagarinsky District Court of Sevastopol', 1 — in 'Bakhchisarai District Court', and 1 — in 'Tsentralny District Court of Simferopol'.

This is the highest number of cases and sentences for evading the military services in the RF Armed Forces within one month, since the start of occupation.

Totally, as of the end of December 2020, the CHRG documented **163** criminal cases initiated for evading the RF Army military service, that were sent to the Crimean 'courts' for considering, with verdicts delivered for **153** of them and **10** being still under consideration.

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