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Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine: results of 2022

Structure of the Ministry for Reintegration

Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine – Minister for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine

Deputy Minister -Commissioner for internally displaced persons

Directorate for internally displaced persons and temporarily occupied territories

Department of Crisis Response

Department of protection of the rights of citizens affected by armed aggression

Deputy Minister

Department of interaction with public authorities

Deputy Minister

Directorate for Strategic Planning and European Integration

Department of digital development, digital transformation and digitalization

Deputy Minister

Department of information policy

Department of communication and press

State Secretary

Department of legal support

Financial and economic administration

Department of Human Resources and Organizational Development

Department of accounting and reporting

Chief Specialist for Classified Work

Chief specialist for mobilization work

Chief Specialist for Internal Control Commissioner for Missing Persons in Special Circumstances

> Secretariat of the Commissioner for Missing Persons in Special Circumstances (independent department)

Patronage service of the Minister (independent department)

Internal audit sector

Corruption Prevention and Detection Sector



The main directions of work:

- 1. Crisis response.
- 2. Social and legal protection of internally displaced persons.
- 3. The work of the Commissioner for Missing Persons in Special Circumstances.
- The work of hotlines.
- National Information Bureau.
- 6. Assistance to people released from captivity.
- 7. Humanitarian aid to the victims of war.
- 8. Protection of information sovereignty of Ukraine.
- 9. Sanctions policy.
- 10. Registration of losses caused by armed aggression.
- 11. Anti-mine activities.
- 12. Lawmaking activity.
- 13. International activities.



Key achievements in 2022: crisis response

- 1. Since the first weeks of the full-scale invasion, 165 humanitarian corridors have been organized, which evacuated more than 350 thousand civilians, mostly women, children and the elderly, including civilians from Azovstal, in March-May.
- 2. The work of the Coordination Headquarters on the evacuation of civilians from dangerous areas was provided, within the framework of which more than 150 thousand people were evacuated.
- The institution of the Commissioner for Missing Persons under Special Circumstances was established in April 2022.

7 special groups were created to search for bodies, belongings and documents of deceased persons, which made more than 50 visits to the de-occupied territories, as a result of which more than 700 bodies (remains), belongings and documents were exhumed.

The Commissioner organized 16 transfers of the bodies of the deceased, which resulted in the repatriation of 869 bodies (remains) of those killed in connection with the armed aggression against Ukraine.

Key achievements in 2022: protection of the rights of persons affected by war

- 1. In June 2022, the Coordination Headquarters for the Protection of the Rights of Deported Persons was established. As part of the work of the headquarters, assistance was provided to more than 200 thousand people who left the territory of the Russian Federation.
- The portal "Children of War" was created, within the framework of which the collection and interdepartmental exchange of information on deported children was arranged. Currently, information on 13,613 deported children has been collected.
 - 125 children who were illegally deported to Russia and the temporarily occupied territories were returned.
- Implementation of the Law of Ukraine "On Social and Legal Protection of Persons in respect of whom the fact of deprivation of personal liberty as a result of armed aggression against Ukraine and members of their families has been confirmed", which was initiated by the President of Ukraine and entered into force on November 19, 2022.

1448 persons released from captivity and 462 families of military and civilians who are currently in enemy captivity received **one-time financial assistance in the amount of UAH 100 thousand each.**

The total amount of assistance is UAH 191 million.



The work of hotlines

The Ministry for Reintegration has introduced hotlines to provide counseling to IDPs, citizens residing in the temporarily occupied territories, civilians affected by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine, as well as other persons:

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hotline for crisis issues;

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hotline of the National Information Bureau for issues related to prisoners of war and the dead, detained civilians, missing and deported persons;

- +38 (066) 813-62-39 hotline of the Commissioner for IDPs;
- 0 800 339 247 hotline of the Commissioner for Missing Persons under special circumstances;
- 0 800 750 107 hotline of the Ministry for Reintegration.

Lawmaking activities

In 2022, the Ministry developed and adopted or ensured the adoption of 128 regulatory legal acts in all areas of activity, in particular:

draft laws (pending for consideration by the Verkhovna Rada)

1 resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine

Decrees of the President of Ukraine

resolutions of the Cabinet of Ministers for Ukraine

orders of the Cabinet of Ministers for Ukraine

orders of the Ministry of Reintegration, which are subject to state registration

Important legislative initiatives:

- In order to determine the list of events and activities that will not be subject to criminal liability for collaboration, the Ministry of Reintegration has developed draft laws of Ukraine "On Amendments to the Law of Ukraine "On Ensuring the Rights and Freedoms of Citizens and the Legal Regime in the Temporarily Occupied Territory of Ukraine" regarding the peculiarities of activities in the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine" (reg. No. 7646) and "Draft Law on Amendments to the Criminal Code of Ukraine on Improving Liability for Collaboration Activities" (reg. 7647)
- In order to introduce criminal liability for the implementation of forced passportization and its facilitation, the Cabinet of Ministers for Ukraine, at the initiative of the Ministry of Reintegration, submitted a draft Law of Ukraine "On Amendments to the Criminal and Criminal Procedure Codes of Ukraine on Counteracting Russian Passportization" (Reg. No. 8052).
- In order to determine the legal and organizational framework for the functioning of the system of implementation of international humanitarian law in Ukraine, the Ministry, together with the relevant temporary special commission of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, developed a draft Law of Ukraine "On the application and observance of international humanitarian law in Ukraine" (Reg. No. 8268).

Protection of internally displaced persons

In June 2022, the position of the Commissioner for Internally Displaced Persons was created.

Today, **4,867,106 IDPs are officially registered in Ukraine**, and according to international estimates, the number of internally displaced persons exceeds 7 million citizens. More than 4 million people have registered for temporary protection in Europe.

In connection with the challenges caused by the full-scale aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine, the Commissioner initiated a review of the approved Strategy for the Integration of Internally Displaced Persons and the implementation of medium-term solutions for internal displacement until 2024.

Within the framework of the Council of Europe Project "Internal Displacement in Ukraine: Developing Sustainable Solutions. Phase II" from September to December, a draft of the updated Strategy of the State Policy on Internal Displacement until 2024 was prepared. Also, 3 monthly reports of the Commissioner for IDPs were prepared.



Protection of internally displaced persons

Since June 2022, Deputy Prime Minister of Ukraine - Minister for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine Iryna Vereshchuk has made 16 working visits to the regions of Ukraine, namely Chernihiv, Kyiv, Poltava, Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia, Dnipropetrovsk, Kherson, Odesa, Mykolaiv, Cherkasy, Vinnytsia, Kirovohrad, Zhytomyr, Khmelnytskyi, Ivano-Frankivsk, Zakarpattia.

The purpose of the visits was to solve the problematic issues of accommodation and dwelling of IDPs. During the working visits several dozens of places of compact residence were visited. During the visits, humanitarian aid in the form of warm clothes, bedding and hygiene kits, food products was provided to these institutions.

Also 16 meetings with the heads of territorial communities where IDPs are accommodated, and 16 meetings with representatives of international charitable organizations that help in solving the issues of Compact Accommodation Centers arrangement were held.



Humanitarian aid to the victims of war

The Ministry for Reintegration coordinates the provision of assistance by international organizations to internally displaced persons, in particular:

The United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR) handed over:

- 50 000 emergency repair kits to Kyiv, Chernihiv, Sumy and Kharkiv regions;
- 32,000 mattresses, 47,500 blankets, 15,500 pillows, 1,500 cots and 13,500 kitchen sets to Zhytomyr, Zakarpattia, Kirovohrad, Mykolaiv, Kherson, Khmelnytsky, Poltava regions and the city of Chernivtsi;
- 500 beds to Ternopil region;
- The Government of Poland has handed over humanitarian aid to Ukraine for internally displaced persons: more than 94 thousand items of aid.
- UNICEF provides winter clothing sets for IDP children aged 2 to 14 to evacuated children and children in the deoccupied territories. As of 22.12.2022, more than 112,000 children have been provided with winter clothing sets.
- The Ministry of Reintegration together with the World Food Programme are implementing a joint humanitarian project to provide food packages to IDPs with limited mobility who were evacuated from dangerous regions. Food for about 5 thousand citizens has already been delivered to almost 150 specialized institutions. The project continues.
- The State Emergencies Service received 85 UAVs (drones).



Crisis response to challenges

According to the instructions of the Vice Prime
Minister of Ukraine - Minister for Reintegration of the
Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine Iryna
Vereshchuk, the Ministry of Reintegration of the
Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine the following
work in the frontline regions was done:

- access to more than 331 automated systems and registers in territorial communities was unblocked to ensure access of the population to administrative and social services;
- In total, more than 226 thousand cubic meters of firewood worth over UAH 524.5 million were purchased. The process of distribution among the frontline territorial communities is currently ongoing.



Coordination headquarters

In the framework of the work of the Coordination Headquarters on de-occupied territories:

- 947 liberated settlements of Mykolaiv, Kherson,
 Donetsk, Luhansk and Kharkiv regions were covered;
- payments of financial assistance to residents of de-occupied settlements (in the amount of UAH 1200 from the Red Cross Society of Ukraine, in the amount of UAH 2200 from IOM) in the amount of more than UAH 106 million were carried out;
- 150 Starlink satellite Internet stations were transferred to Kharkiv region;
- more than 400 generators of various capacities were sent to the liberated and frontline territories by international organizations;
- more than 6 thousand metal stoves and about 6.5 thousand cubic meters of fire wood were transferred to the de-occupied territories for heating of residential buildings.

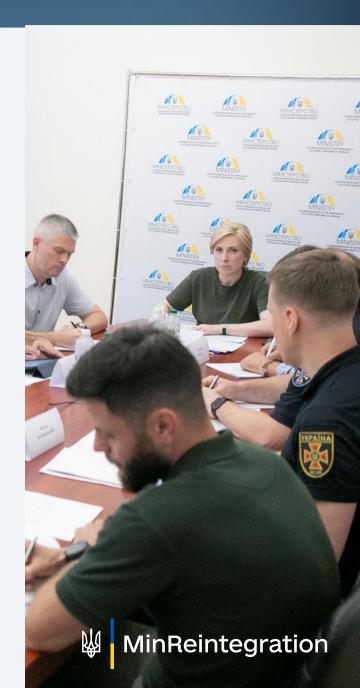


Coordination headquarters

In March, the Coordination Headquarters on the treatment of prisoners of war was established. During 3 months, while the head of the headquarters was Iryna Vereshchuk, 403 people were released from captivity, including 100 civilians. At the end of May, the headquarters was transferred under the control of the Defence Intelligence of Ukraine.

At the end of July, a Coordination Headquarters for preparation of the mandatory evacuation of the population of Donetsk region under martial law was founded.

Following the proposals of the Coordination Headquarters, on 2 August 2022, the Government announced mandatory evacuation from Donetsk region.



Coordination headquarters

In June 2022, the Coordination Headquarters for the Protection of the Rights of Deported Persons was formed. During the work of the headquarters, assistance was provided to more than 200 thousand people who left the territory of the Russian Federation.

In the framework of the operation of the Coordination Headquarters for ensuring the departure of citizens of Ukraine from the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine, in particular the AR of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, through the territory of other countries to the territory of Ukraine, assistance in returning to Ukraine, a mechanism of remote identification and further processing, issuance of a ID card for return in diplomatic institutions / consulates of Ukraine in neighboring countries was implemented.

Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers for Ukraine No. 1201 of 21 October 2022 "On the implementation of a pilot project on the issuance of an Identity Card for returning to Ukraine".



Activities of the Commissioner for Missing Persons in Special Circumstances

In April 2022, the amendments to the Law of Ukraine "On the Legal Status of Persons Missing in Special Circumstances" provided for the creating of the position of the Commissioner for Missing Persons in Special Circumstances and its Secretariat within the Ministry for Reintegration. During this time:

- The Commissioner organized 16 transfers of the bodies of the deceased, which resulted in the repatriation of 869 bodies (remains) of those killed in connection with the armed aggression against Ukraine.
- 7 special groups were created to search for bodies, belongings and documents of deceased persons, that made more than 50 visits to the de-occupied territories, as a result of which more than 700 bodies (remains), belongings and documents were exhumed.
- More than 3000 bodies of the deceased from the combat zones were found and returned for burial.
- Cases on search of missing persons initiated: 13 835.

National Information Bureau

The National Information Bureau was established on March 17 to implement the Geneva Conventions for the Protection of War Victims of August 12, 1949.

Key tasks of the NIB:

- collection, centralization and generalization of information about prisoners of war and dead combatants from both sides of the conflict,
- collection of information about victims of armed aggression: detained civilians, missing persons, forcibly displaced (deported) persons, etc.

Key results of the NIB:

297 148 applications were accepted by the NIB, including:

- 192 050 calls by operators of the NIB 1648 hotline,
- 45 238 appeals through the form on the website,
- 31 360 appeals via chatbots on Telegram and Viber,
- 28 500 appeals via e-mail.

1596 persons were released from Russian captivity, including:

- 1464 military personnel,
- 132 civilians.

4929 letters have been handed over, including:

- 2102 to relatives of Ukrainian prisoners,
- 2827 prisoners from their loved ones.



Protection of information sovereignty of Ukraine

Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion of Russia, **14,180 materials have been published** on all resources of the Ministry, including 1426 materials on the official website and 7852 materials on social networks.

Two information campaigns were carried out:

- "Government hotlines help" to promote the hotlines of the ministries (20 text and visual materials were distributed);
- on counteracting illegal passportization and "referendums" in the TOT (more than 700 thematic publications, 18 digital banners, 9 audio materials, 10 videos and 3 guides were disseminated).

In the de-occupied territories, **23 posters** were placed on outdoor advertising media in billboard format, in particular in Kherson region - 19, Kharkiv region - 4. In addition, 5 editions of booklets (60 thousand units) with useful information for the residents of the DOT were printed.

The work of **9 broadcasters was organized**, which broadcast to the de-occupied and neighboring regions. **167 hours of information content on television and 459 hours on radio were generated**, which contained useful and important messages for the residents of these territories.=

Sanctions policy

Since the beginning of an open armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine on February 24, 2022, the Ministry for Reintegration has developed 10 sanctions packages (including two sectoral packages), which initiated the application of **restrictive measures (sanctions) to 466 individuals and 331 legal entities.**



Registration of losses caused by armed aggression

The Resolutions of the Cabinet of Ministers for Ukraine No. 326 of March 20, 2022 and No. 951 of July 22, 2022 initiated the determination of damage and losses caused to Ukraine as a result of the armed aggression of the Russian Federation.

- 21 sectoral directions of damage and loss identification.
- More than USD 423 billion is the amount of indirect economic losses associated with human losses.
- More than USD 32 billion is the preliminary amount of direct losses.
- The working group "Damage Audit" of the National Council for the Recovery of Ukraine from the Consequences of the War prepared a preliminary calculation of direct losses -\$95.5 billion and minimum needs for the restoration of destroyed assets - \$165.1 billion. The data were presented at the International Conference on the Reconstruction of Ukraine in Lugano (Switzerland). The structure of the later created State Register of property damaged and destroyed as a result of hostilities, terrorist acts, sabotage caused by the military aggression of the Russian Federation was also determined.
- In 2022, 2 meetings of the Commission for the Audit of Damages Caused to Ukraine as a Result of the Armed Aggression of the Russian Federation were held. The work of the Commission was to coordinate the activities of executive authorities to implement the Cabinet of Ministers for Ukraine Resolution No. 326 of March 20, 2022 (determining the damage and losses caused to Ukraine as a result of the armed aggression of the Russian Federation).
- Currently, 10 methods have been agreed, approved by orders and registered with the Ministry of Justice, 8 methods have been approved by the Ministry of Reintegration without comments, 4 methods are under consideration by the Ministry of Reintegration, and 4 methods are being prepared by the ministries. inReintegration

International activities

Under the coordination of the Ministry for Reintegration, a number of measures have been implemented with the assistance of international partners, in particular:

- 1. USD 99,000,000 was allocated for social payments to IDPs to cover their living expenses under the project "Eastern Ukraine: Reunification, Recovery and Revival (Project 3B)", implemented with the support of the World Bank.
- 2. With the support of the Government of Germany and the Credit Institution for Reconstruction (KfW), 512 agreements for the amount of UAH 668,100,000 were concluded to provide preferential loans for the purchase of housing for IDPs.
- 3. Within the framework of the Coordination Headquarters on de-occupied territories, **financial** support from international organizations was received and the process of payments for the population of Kharkiv, Kherson and Donetsk regions was arranged.
 - 65,845 people received financial assistance in the total amount of UAH 79,014,000 from the Ukrainian Red Cross Society and the International Committee of the Red Cross.
 - 12,393 people received financial assistance in the total amount of UAH 27,264,600 with the support of the International Organization for Migration.
- 4. With the support of the Partnership for a Strong Ukraine Foundation, **25 of the 77 facilities** located in the liberated territories of Kyiv, Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv and Kherson regions have been repaired, and the works on the remaining facilities are ongoing.



Anti-mine activities

The Order of the Cabinet of Ministers for Ukraine No. 288-p dated 15.04.2022 approved the operational plan of anti-mine activities.

In 2022:

- 10 million people are reached by SMS informing about the danger from explosive objects.
- 128 thousand handouts on mine safety were distributed among the population of the de-occupied territories.
- 138 billboards and citylights on safe behavior were placed in Kyiv, Chernihiv and Kharkiv regions.
- 2200 marking signs were handed over to the communities of the liberated territories.
- 10 mine safety videos were created.
- Since 24.02.2022, 252,550 mines and unexploded ordnance have been destroyed in the de-occupied territories.

Priorities for 2023:

- To double the total amount of international assistance for internally displaced persons in the form of cash payments to IDPs (including by reducing the costs of international donors to less effective forms of assistance to internally displaced persons).
 - In 2022, the amount of cash assistance for IDPs was USD 735 million, in 2023 it is planned to attract USD 1.5 billion.
- To ensure the adoption of the draft Law of Ukraine "On the application and observance of international humanitarian law in Ukraine" (reg. No. 8268).





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