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Thread about genocide in Ukraine (1/25)

Genocide cannot be strong, weak or "halfway". It's not a literary term; it has specific characteristics. It either exists or it doesn't. It's happening in Ukraine. The word "genocide" shouldn't be used to reinforce smth.

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Russia is doing it right now. Rafał Lemkin did an incredible job to introduce this term for a reason. And the CPPCG, Article II, does not exist so that international bodies with the competence to investigate cases of genocide use half-tones in their rhetoric.

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The definition of genocide, in the relevant convention, has appropriate definitions. Let's go through them with specific examples. Remember that genocide is ANY of these actions, and in Ukraine we have a full house, unfortunately.

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/instruments-mechanisms/instruments/convention-prevention-and-punishment-crime-genocide>

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First of all, genocide can be called genocide when there is an INTENT to EXTERMINATE a certain group. The intention is there, and Russia clearly stated it on 3 April 2022 in its state media, in the article "What Russia Should Do with Ukraine".

This is the article that was published by the Russian state-owned domestic news agency RIA Novosti (Russian: РИА Новости). This media through the years was one of the main voices of Russian propaganda and fake news.

What you are going to read is direct translation of the article written by Russian journalist. That's what real #Russia wants. Please read and share.

What should Russia do with Ukraine? [Translation of a propaganda art...

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https://medium.com/@kravchenko_mm/what-should-russia-do-with-ukraine-translation...

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A really good piece on genocidal intent was published by Eugene Finkel, a political scientist and historian at Johns Hopkins University for The Washington Post and by Andrew Buncombe for Independent

(Links:



Killings in Ukraine amount to genocide, Holocaust expert says

Several factors required to match legal definition Ukraine-born academic tells
Andrew Buncombe

<http://shorturl.at/krDW5>

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There are materials about genocidal intent and a report by the New Lines Institute for Strategy and Policy; Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights, which contains evidence that genocide is likely to occur. This report is dated 27 May 2022.

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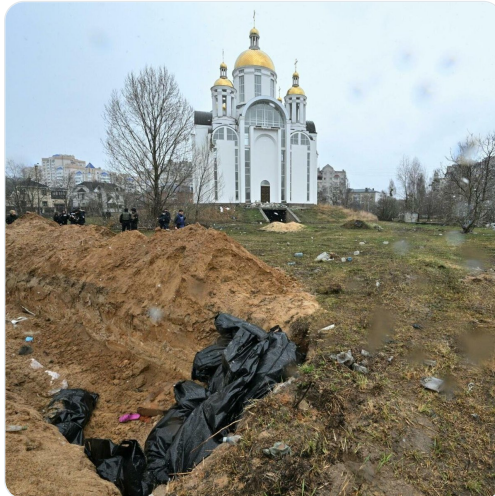
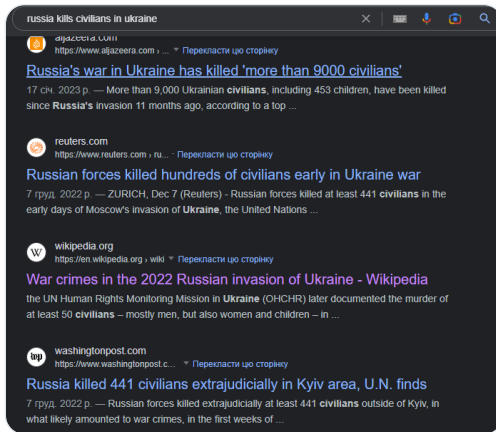
Conclusion

In 1995, the details of the mass murder of over 7,000 Bosnian Muslim boys and men in Srebrenica only emerged before the international community when it was too late to prevent a genocide that occurred in a matter of days.²⁴⁸ In 2022, we have the capabilities to accurately track similar atrocities as they unfold and respond accordingly.

This report establishes reasonable grounds to conclude that Russia bears State responsibility for (a) direct and public incitement to commit genocide and (b) a pattern of atrocities from which an inference of intent to destroy the Ukrainian national group in part can be drawn, in breach of Art. III(c) and Art. II. In addition, the report conclusively establishes the existence of a serious risk of genocide, triggering the legal duty of all States to prevent genocide under Art. I of the Genocide Convention.

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But going back to the characteristics. Does russia intend to exterminate Ukrainians? it does. (hereinafter Ukrainians = group) In full, not in part. russia is killing members of our group, russia is causing serious bodily harm and mental disorder to members of our group.



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Russia deliberately creates living conditions for the group that are designed to physically destroy it in whole or in part, Russia takes measures designed to prevent childbearing among our group, Russia forcibly transfers children of our group to another (Russian) group.

The screenshot shows a BBC News article from April 11, 2022. The headline is "Ukraine conflict: 'Russian soldiers raped me and killed my husband'". The sub-headline is "Russia-Ukraine war". The article is by Yogita Limaye. A video player is visible with a warning: "Contains sexual violence and reporting scenes." The text below the video states: "The Russians have withdrawn from areas around Kyiv, but they've left deeply wounded lives that might never recover from the trauma. The BBC has heard first-hand testimony and found evidence of Ukrainian women being raped by invading soldiers."

The screenshot shows an ABC News article from August 12, 2022. The headline is "I wanted to take off my skin': Ukrainian women recount rape by Russian soldiers". The sub-headline is "Two women agreed to share their devastating ordeal with ABC News." The article is by Tom Scott Burridge, Bilallem Guenfoud, Natalya Kishinir, Dragana Jovanovic, Brittny Clennett, and Durrat Al Munajjim. A video player is visible with a quote: "He tells me, 'If you want your son to live, do what you're told.'" The text below the video states: "Two Ukrainian women recount horror of being raped by Russian soldiers. As Russia's invasion continues, alarming reports of rape and torture haunt Ukraine. But victims sa..."

The screenshot shows a BBC News article from 19 hours ago. The headline is "Deportation of Ukrainian children to Russia is war crime - UN". The sub-headline is "Russia-Ukraine war". The article is by Laura Gozzi. A video player is visible with a caption: "Over 16,000 children are thought to have been transferred to Russia or Russia-controlled areas." The text below the video states: "Russia's forced deportation of Ukrainian children to areas under its control amounts to a war crime, UN investigators have said. The UN Commission of Inquiry on Ukraine said there was evidence of the illegal transfer of hundreds of Ukrainian children to Russia. The Commission's report is categorical that Russia also committed other war crimes in Ukraine."

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There are 5 signs. The presence of even one of them may indicate genocide, and there are 5 out of 5. Full house. And the mens rea of the crime of genocide is also present. Let's also take another classification, about the stages of genocide, about the 10 stages of genocide

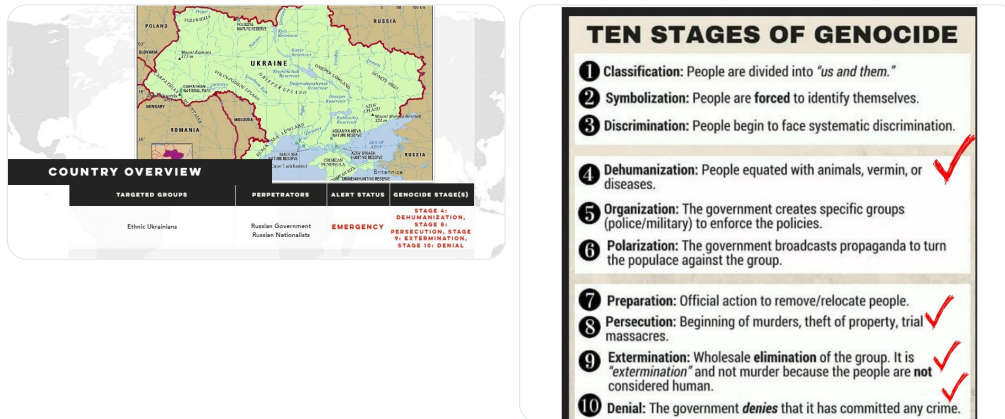
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There is a model of Dr Gregory H. Stanton, who actually developed the academic tool "10 Stages of Genocide". These stages are not linear, so they can occur simultaneously. They can only be stopped by international intervention.

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Here are the stages that Stanton presents. I have ticked off what, according to GW, are already happening in Ukraine (respectively, that can be proved). Pay attention to the 10th position. This is smth, that the russian opposition, not the russian military, is engaged in.



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In addition to these Genocide Watch has another interesting article, 12 Ways to Deny Genocide by Israel Charney from "Templates for Gross Denial of Known Genocide: A Guide" There`re many interesting points there, I will focus on some of them.

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1. Question and minimise statistics.
3. Claim that the deaths were unintentional (remember the context of the russian denial of another genocide of Ukrainians - the Holodomor, remember the russian opposition, which was bullshitting about "crop failure")

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6. Accusing "uncontrolled" forces of committing murders (Russian liberals' stories about some kind of difference between the Wagner PMC and the regular Russian military).
7. Avoid opposition to genocide that might go beyond the "peace process"



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7p. is something we are constantly scared of, like don't undermine the negotiations, don't use hate speech, don't defend yourself too much, as if the main goal is "peace", no war - all part of genocide denial.



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8. Justify the refusal to oppose genocide in favour of current economic interests.
10. Argue that what is happening does not fit the definition of genocide (!!!!!!!)

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Regarding point 10, all those who do this, all those who are afraid or do not want to call a spade a spade, either have not read the CPPCG or are deliberately engaged in substitution of concepts.

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And what I mean is this: legal recognition of genocide does not legally require taking action. moral obligation. The other points, such as in Article VIII, are POSSIBLE ways, but not obligatory. The Convention is more about the moral obligation to prevent genocide.

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The article perfectly describes what it looks like and a certain mechanism of what will happen if Russia's actions in Ukraine are recognised as genocide. by [@TaraLaw27](#) for Time



Is Russia Committing Genocide in Ukraine? What Experts Say

There's evidence that Russian war crimes in Ukraine can be classified as genocide —but they might not meet the high bar of international law.

<https://time.com/6262903/russia-ukraine-genocide-war-crimes/>

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There is not only the CPPCG, A/RES/96-I, Article 6 of the Rome Statute of the ICC, there are other acts, conventions and legal documents, not only in the UN plane. And we are obviously not the only ones who say that genocide is taking place in Ukraine, with evidence.

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Here is a list of countries with quotes from which statements that Russia is committing genocide in Ukraine are heard. There are also links to the process leading up to the genocide in Ukraine.



Compilation of Countries' Statements Calling Russian Actions in Ukrai...

A comprehensive guide to which states have called Russia's actions genocide.

<https://t.ly/WE4R>

[icj-cij.org/case/182](https://www.icj-cij.org/case/182)

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And here are russian war crimes. I would like to see accountability for those who have abused this term or continue to abuse it. But when the term and the qualifications are ignored by the international community, it is very unfortunate.

<https://war.ukraine.ua/russia-war-crimes/>

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There are prescribed signs, there is a mechanism for investigation, there is an opportunities to investigate - now is either political bias or stupidity. And I'm betting on the former, because all these PhDs and professors of international law don't look stupid.

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Unfortunately, the international legal system, like anything else, works when there is political will. And as of now, it seems to be absent. And the genocide of the Ukrainian people is happening. And it will continue.

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We have to accept that if we win this war through the incredible efforts of our defenders, if we manage to regain the territories, emerge victorious, there is still a long, long way to go to prove the truth about this war. And the struggle to hold the russians responsible.

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