

FREEDOM FOR UKRAINE !

All people and nations of good will acknowledge that freedom, justice and national independence is the basis of elementary rights and the prerogative of every human being and nation in this world. **The 47 million Ukrainian nation, brutally enslaved and physically mutilated by Russia, also has these rights.** In recent years Moscow has violated these rights by annihilating Ukrainian intellectuals and destroying, in various ways, the national culture and education.

In the years 1927-1938 and onwards, Russia has **annihilated over 80% of the Ukrainian educational elite.** Between 1965-1967, the KGB sent over **300 Ukrainian poets, writers, critics, translators, judges and lawyers to concentration camps.** From January to early May 1972, on the orders of the Central Committee of the Communist Party in the USSR, the KGB **arrested over 100 Ukrainian educational and cultural workers.** Such terror and imprisonments still continue.

Available documents and numerous witnesses without any doubt confirm that Ukrainian people, in the cultural and educational field, tortured, imprisoned and terrorized in the past and those suffering at present are all victims of the consciously planned terroristic politics and policies of the Soviet regime. This policy, carried out by the KGB, is aimed at destroying the national and cultural wealth of Ukraine.

This is why recently arrested people, — such as **I. Svitlychny, I. Dzyuba, E. Sverstyuk, V. Chornovil, I. Stasiv** and hundreds of others, — are accused of so-called "offences", which in fact are prepared provocations, planned out beforehand in the cabinets and later fulfilled in the KGB torture chambers. Even that which is theoretically allowed, in accordance with the Soviet Constitution, is treated as an offence, eg. Article 125, which guarantees freedom of speech, the holding of public meetings and manifestations, and Article 17 which guarantees the right of every Republic to freely opt out of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and live independently.

Their "offences" were in fact that in accordance with the Soviet Constitution and United Nations Charter, they protested against the violent russification in Ukraine, against the crimes of the Soviet authorities and stood in defence of the Ukrainian national culture, justified national freedom and human dignity, enjoyed by all people in democratic countries and civilised nations of the world.

Therefore, we strongly appeal to all people of good will, to whom **God and the human ideals of Freedom, Democracy and Justice** are so dear, to unanimously stand in defence of subjugated, persecuted nations and people, imprisoned by Russian tyranny and to condemn the terroristic-imperialistic policies of Moscow in Ukraine.

Support our demand that the Soviet Union immediately stop its politics of destroying nations; that it stop suppressing the creative thoughts, talents, ideas and persecuting the freedom guaranteed by the UN Charter; that it stop arresting Ukrainian educational and cultural workers and that it allow all those people forcefully banished into exile, to return to their homeland.

Help the 47 million strong Ukrainian nation, which is justified in its struggle to attain complete freedom and independence.

Safeguard your own freedom and join us in appealing in this cause to all governments, humanitarian, political and other institutions in defence of individual and national rights.

REMEMBER — FREEDOM AND JUSTICE ARE INDIVISIBLE!

YESTERDAY — OTHERS WERE VICTIMS OF TERROR AND SLAVERY.

**TOMORROW — IT MIGHT BE YOUR TURN
IF YOU REMAIN INDIFFERENT!**

55 years of Russian-Communist imperialism and terror has resulted in an extremely high loss of innocent lives.

1918—1923	— killed and perished in the Bolshevik revolution, civil war, invasions and unleashed wars against Ukraine, Byelorussia, Armenia, North Caucasus, Cossakia, Azerbaidjan, Turkestan, Idel-Ural and Siberia, over	7,000,000
1918 & 1939	— the war against Finland	450,000
1918 & 1940	— the war against the Baltic nations	11,000
1920 & 1939	— the war against Poland	600,000
1921—1923	— the war against Georgia	50,000
1921—1923	— the famine in the USSR (out of that 1,500,000 in Ukraine)	6,000,000
1923—1930	— Bolshevik terror, liquidation of various classes and national minorities	3,000,000
1932—1933	— artificial famine as a result of collectivisation, especially in Ukraine	7,000,000
1921—1960	— perished in concentration camps, over	19,000,000
1937—1938	— victims of the Yezhov terror	2,000,000
1927—1950	— Liquidation of the Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox and the Ukrainian Catholic Churches, murder of priests, monks, nuns, bishops and archbishops	25,000
	(Similar sacrifices were among Baptists, Jews and other religious groups).	
1941	— on the 24th June alone, political prisoners shot down in Ukraine by the NKVD (present KGB)	100,000
1941—1945	— those who died in the war and terror unleashed by Stalin and Hitler	20,000,000
1945—1968	— perished in the satellite countries owing to revolutionary outbursts, invasions, class liquidation, communist terror and in concentration camps, almost	4,000,000
1945—1950	— imprisoned in Ukraine, banished into exile, victims of terror and famine	3,000,000
1950—1953	— young people sent from Ukraine to Siberia and Kazakhstan	800,000
1969—1971	— Political prisoners in Soviet concentration camps	500,000
It is difficult to find today a home in Ukraine, which, as a result of Russian terror, has not lost at least one member of its family.		
1970	— The Ukrainian population was	47,465,000
	Were it not for Russia's annihilation, the population would have been at least	78,000,000

**REMEMBER — BY HELPING US YOU SAFEGUARD
YOUR OWN FREEDOM!**

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