

***The present questionnaire serves the purpose of investigating and prosecuting war crimes committed in Ukraine since 24/02/2022 in connection with Russia's war against Ukraine.***

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Witnesses and/or victims of war crimes may file complaints with and provide information to the German police. These crimes can be prosecuted in Germany even if they were committed in other countries by foreign nationals. The aim is to identify and prosecute perpetrators regardless of where they are staying.

**What is a war crime?**

A war crime is an act committed in an armed conflict in violation of the fundamental rules on warfare in international law.

Examples of such acts are killing civilians and prisoners of war, torture, sexual assault, taking hostages, using children as soldiers, large-scale plundering or destruction of property, attacking civilians and using chemical weapons.

As long as they are directed against military targets, acts of war as such are not punishable under German law and thus cannot be prosecuted.

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***The following questions seek to find out who witnessed or has become a victim of war crimes and whom the German police might, but not necessarily will, later contact for more information.***

*You have no duty to answer these questions and whether you answer them or not will have no effect on your right to stay or asylum status in Germany. You do not need to answer these questions if you thereby expose yourself or your relatives to the risk of being criminally prosecuted or incriminate yourself and your relatives.*

The German police greatly appreciate your assistance!

**Personal details:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:                     Female             Male             Other

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother tongue:     Ukrainian     Russian     Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Other  
languages:             English             German

Whereabouts in Germany: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of entry into Germany: \_\_\_\_\_

**1) Have you been a victim of or have you witnessed the following incidents?**

- Victim  Witness
  
- Attacks on (unarmed) civilians / the civilian population
- Attacks on civil infrastructure  
(such as residential areas, hospitals, museums, (nuclear) power plants, etc.)
- Plundering
- Mass graves
- Executions
- Physical or psychological assaults on (unarmed) civilians or prisoners of war (such as torture, rape, humiliation)
- Use of weapons of a special type:
  - Cluster bombs
  - Vacuum bombs
  - Phosphorus bombs
  - Chemical weapons
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**2) Were the victims of the aforementioned incidents fighters involved in combat activities (e.g. as defenders of their town) or were they unarmed civilians?**

- Fighters  Unarmed civilians

**3) Where did it happen?**

Name of city/village: \_\_\_\_\_

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kharkiv Oblast         | <input type="checkbox"/> Kyiv Oblast                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Poltava Oblast      | <input type="checkbox"/> Zakarpattia Oblast |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kherson Oblast         | <input type="checkbox"/> Kirovohrad Oblast                | <input type="checkbox"/> Rivne Oblast        | <input type="checkbox"/> Cherkasy Oblast    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Khmelnytskyi Oblast    | <input type="checkbox"/> Autonomous Republic of<br>Crimea | <input type="checkbox"/> Zaporizhzhia Oblast | <input type="checkbox"/> Chernihiv Oblast   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dnipropetrovsk Oblast  | <input type="checkbox"/> Lviv Oblast                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Zhytomyr Oblast     | <input type="checkbox"/> Chernivtsi Oblast  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donetsk Oblast         | <input type="checkbox"/> Luhansk Oblast                   | <input type="checkbox"/> City of Sevastopol  | <input type="checkbox"/> Volyn Oblast       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast | <input type="checkbox"/> Mykolaiv Oblast                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sumy Oblast         | <input type="checkbox"/> Vinnytsia Oblast   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City of Kyiv           | <input type="checkbox"/> Odessa Oblast                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ternopil Oblast     |   |

**4) When did it happen? (from – to) \_\_\_\_\_**

**5) Who did this (perpetrators / those responsible)?**

- Russian military forces
- Ukrainian military forces
- Others: \_\_\_\_\_
- Do not know

**6) Can you name those responsible / perpetrators?**

- Yes, the following: \_\_\_\_\_       No

**7) Can you name other persons including their contact details who have witnessed or been a victim of the aforementioned incidents?**

Yes, the following: \_\_\_\_\_  No

**8) Do have any photos, videos or other evidence of crimes that have been committed in Ukraine since 24/02/2022?**

Yes  No

**9) Would you be willing to testify against those responsible for war crimes in Ukraine in investigative proceedings in Germany (vis-à-vis the police or the public prosecutor's office)?**

Yes  No

**10) Has your statement already been taken by an aid organisation or other authorities?**

Yes, the following: \_\_\_\_\_  No