

KHERSON: A CITY HUNTED FROM THE AIR

Since July 2024 Russian drone operators on the occupied left bank of the Dnipro have used small camera drones to find and strike people on the other side — pedestrians, cyclists, buses, ambulances, rescuers — and have posted the videos. The UN Commission of Inquiry found the crimes against humanity of murder and forcible transfer, under a command that reports to the Chief of the General Staff. Local authorities count more than 200 killed and 2,000 injured.

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200+ / 2,000+

civilians killed / injured by drones across Kherson, Mykolaiv and Dnipropetrovsk regions (not only Kherson's right bank) since July 2024, according to local authorities

A

Commission of Inquiry, A/80/497, 21 Oct 2025, para. 10

300 km

of riverfront under attack across Kherson, Mykolaiv and Dnipropetrovsk regions — Kherson city and 16 localities in the first report

A

Commission of Inquiry, A/80/497, para. 9; A/HRC/59/CRP.2

1,500+

drone attacks per week on Kherson in August 2025, up from 600–700 in March

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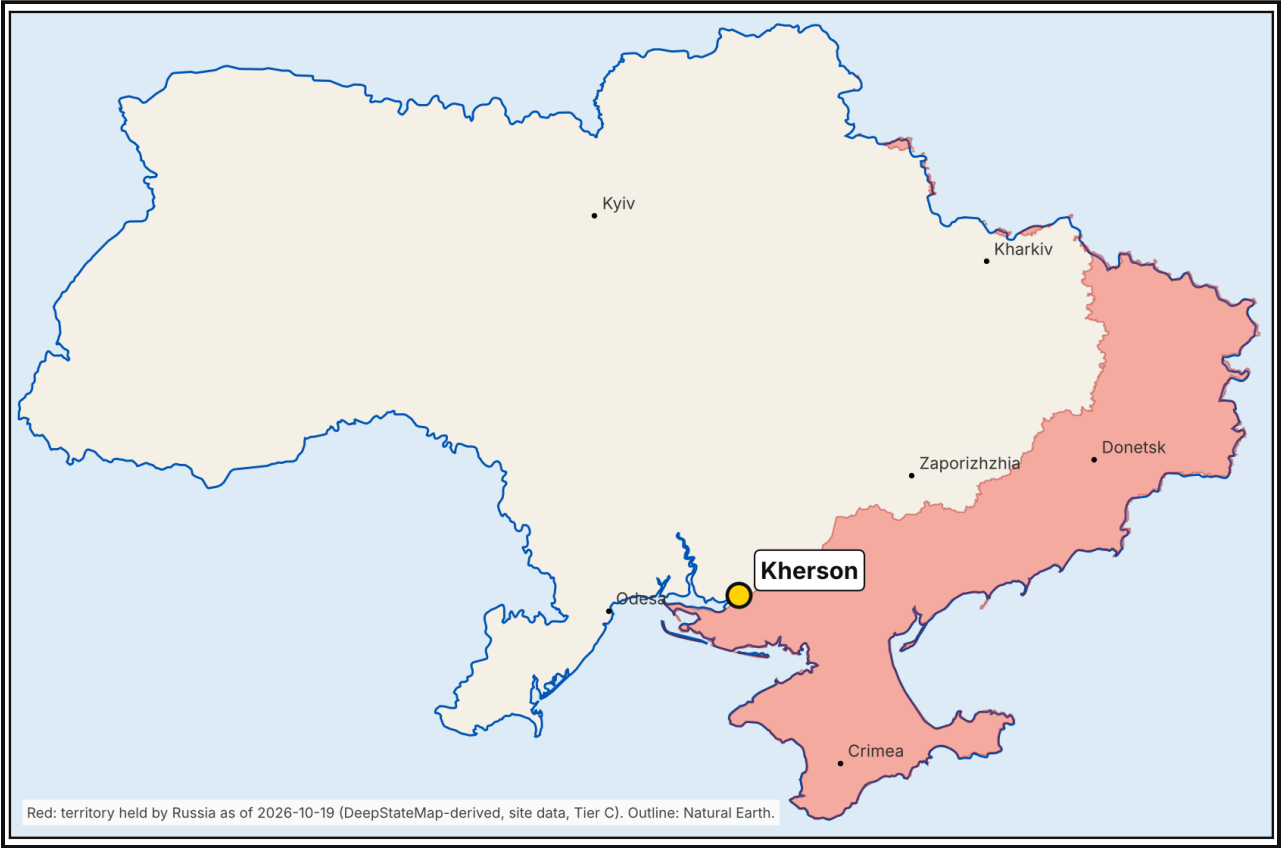
Truth Hounds, Nov 2025

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drone operators of the 404th regiment served with notices of suspicion in absentia; their chain of command reaches the Chief of the General Staff

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SBU, 9 Jun 2026; Commission of Inquiry, A/80/497, para. 40



BOTTOM LINE

A UN finding of crimes against humanity. The Commission of Inquiry concluded on 28 May 2025 that Russian forces committed murder as a crime against humanity and the war crime of attacking civilians, and on 21 Oct 2025 that the attacks, with the threats posted alongside them, amount to the crime against humanity of forcible transfer.

Not a rogue unit. The drone units belong to the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces under Col-Gen Mikhail Teplinsky, who reports to Chief of the General Staff Gerasimov; in July 2025 Teplinsky briefed the Defence Minister on a system to use drones 'according to a unified plan' (A/80/497, para. 40).

The operator sees the victim. Operators watch a live feed, select a target that is visibly civilian — a woman on a bicycle, a man at a bus stop, an ambulance crew — and strike. The videos are posted on Russian Telegram channels with threats to those who remain.

LEGAL QUALIFICATION IN THREE LAYERS

CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY OF MURDER AND FORCIBLE TRANSFER — ESTABLISHED (COMMISSION OF INQUIRY, 2025)

SHORT-RANGE DRONES AS THE MAIN KILLER OF CIVILIANS NEAR THE FRONT — PATTERN (HRMMU 2025-26)

WAR CRIMES, ART. 438 CCU — POSITION (NOTICES OF SUSPICION TO TEN OPERATORS, 9 JUN 2026)

Established. Commission of Inquiry, A/HRC/59/CRP.2 (28 May 2025): the crime against humanity of murder and the war crime of attacking civilians; posting the videos is an outrage upon personal dignity; the attacks were widespread, systematic and part of a coordinated state policy. A/80/497 (21 Oct 2025, paras. 40, 52, 54): the crime against humanity of forcible transfer; the units act under the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces and the General Staff. **Pattern.** HRMMU records short-range drones as a leading cause of civilian casualties near the front line in 2025–26. **Position.** Ukraine qualifies the attacks as war crimes (Art. 438 CCU); the SBU has named ten operators of one regiment (9 Jun 2026).

WHAT WE ASK

Cite the Commission's two findings — murder and forcible transfer as crimes against humanity — in every statement on Kherson. Designate Col-Gen Teplinsky, the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces command and the 404th regiment for the drone campaign, and the fundraisers that supply the drones. Ask the ICC Prosecutor to open a Kherson drone file on the strength of A/80/497. Fund counter-drone protection for Kherson's streets, buses and ambulances.

Sources: A — Commission of Inquiry, A/HRC/59/CRP.2, 'They are hunting us' (28 May 2025); Commission of Inquiry, A/80/497 (21 Oct 2025). B — SBU, 9 Jun 2026; Prosecutor General, 4 Aug 2026 (Censor.net); Kherson city military administration data (LIGA, 23 Jul 2025); Kherson regional administration, 9 Sep and 31 Oct 2024, 1 Jul and 19 Aug 2026 (Hromadske; LIGA). C — HRW, 'Hunted from Above' (3 Jun 2025); Truth Hounds (Nov 2025, via Babel); KHPG (2 Jun 2025); BBC (31 Oct 2024); Kyiv Post (8 Oct 2024); NYT (27 Oct 2025). RU — Saldo, Zakharova, Gatilov, 1–2 Jan 2026 (Al Jazeera; DN/Lusa); Teplinsky briefing, Jul 2025, as cited in A/80/497. All accessed 21 Oct 2026.



A LIVE FEED, A VISIBLE CIVILIAN, A DROPPED CHARGE

The method is the evidence. A drone operator on the left bank watches a video feed from a few hundred metres up, picks a person or a vehicle that is plainly civilian, and strikes. Hundreds of these feeds were posted by the operators' own channels — which is how the Commission reconstructed the campaign.

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May-Jul 2024	Small camera drones with dropped charges and FPV drones replace artillery as the main weapon against the right bank; attacks on pedestrians and cars in Antonivka and the Dniprovskiy district become daily. C — HRW, 3 Jun 2025; Commission of Inquiry (period from July 2024)
31 Oct 2024	Regional administration: 30 civilians killed by drones since 1 July, more than 400 injured, more than 5,000 drone attacks. B — Kherson regional administration; BBC, 31 Oct 2024
Nov 2024	Ambulances of the Kherson oncology hospital burned by drones on 11–12 Nov; the head of the hospital laboratory killed on 26 Nov. A 45-year-old injured in Poniativka dies as two charges are dropped on the ambulance sent for him. A — Commission of Inquiry, 28 May 2025; KHPG
Jan 2025	HRMMU: drones cause 70 per cent of civilian casualties recorded in Kherson in January 2025. A — HRMMU, cited by HRW, 3 Jun 2025
28 May 2025	Commission of Inquiry publishes 'They are hunting us' (A/HRC/59/CRP.2): crime against humanity of murder; war crimes; nearly 150 killed and hundreds injured since July 2024; 300+ videos, 600+ Telegram posts, 91 interviews. A — Commission of Inquiry
3 Jun 2025	HRW, 'Hunted from Above': 45 attacks documented Jun–Dec 2024; drones made by DJI, Autel and the Russian 'Sudoplatov' group; apparent crimes against humanity. C — Human Rights Watch
21 Oct 2025	Commission of Inquiry report to the General Assembly (A/80/497): 200+ killed and 2,000+ injured since July 2024; 300 km of riverfront; 'Dnepr' Group of Forces under Teplinsky; crime against humanity of forcible transfer. A — A/80/497, paras. 9–10, 40, 52–54
9 Jun 2026	SBU serves notices of suspicion in absentia on ten drone operators of the 404th motorised rifle regiment, 'Dnepr' grouping: strikes on transport, ambulances at the city hospital and a double strike on DSNS rescuers. B — SBU, 9 Jun 2026
1 Jul 2026	A drone hits a city minibus at about 07:00: two women killed, including 18-year-old Svitlana travelling with her mother to enrol at university; nine injured. B — Kherson regional administration; Hromadske, 1 Jul 2026
19 Aug 2026	A minibus in the Korabelnyi district struck at 08:50: four killed, five injured including the driver. B — Prokudin; Shanko (Telegram); LIGA, 19 Aug 2026

WHAT THE COMMISSION ESTABLISHED

The Commission geolocated more than 120 publicly posted drone videos, reviewed over 300 videos and 600 Telegram text posts, and interviewed 91 residents, medical staff and officials (28 May 2025). For its October 2025 report it compiled 247 geolocated incidents and interviewed 226 people.

Russian Telegram channels linked to the units posted the videos with text announcing further attacks across what they called the 'red zone' and telling residents to leave: 'Get out of the city before the leaves fall, you who are destined to die.' The Commission treated these posts as evidence of intent.



A Kherson municipal bus attacked three times by Russian drones; drivers and passengers unhurt, 17 May 2024. Photo: ArmyInform · CC BY 4.0 · via official site

WHO THE VICTIMS ARE

Local authorities count more than 200 civilians killed and more than 2,000 injured by drones since July 2024 (A/80/497, para. 10). The Kherson city administration's own tally for the city alone gives 34 killed and 512 injured by drones in 2024, and 42 killed and 682 injured between 1 January and 21 July 2025.

They are the people who stayed: pensioners, market traders, utility and medical workers, bus passengers. Children are a small share but not absent: a one-year-old in Pravdyne (10 Jul 2025).

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ESTABLISHED BY BODIES WITH A MANDATE

Commission of Inquiry, A/HRC/59/CRP.2, 'They are hunting us' (28 May 2025): nearly 150 civilians killed and hundreds injured since July 2024 (official sources); Kherson city and 16 localities over 100+ km; crime against humanity of murder; war crimes of attacking civilians and of outrages upon personal dignity; possible crime against humanity of forcible transfer. A

Commission of Inquiry, A/80/497 (21 Oct 2025): over 200 killed and over 2,000 injured since July 2024 (para. 10); attacks along 300 km across three regions (para. 9); units of the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces under Col-Gen Teplinsky, reporting to Gen. Gerasimov (para. 40); crime against humanity of murder (para. 52) and of forcible transfer (para. 54). A

HRMMU: drones caused 70 per cent of civilian casualties in Kherson in January 2025 (cited by HRW, 3 Jun 2025). A

UKRAINIAN INVESTIGATION

Kherson regional administration (Prokudin): 547 casualties 1 Jul – 9 Sep 2024, nearly half from drones; 30 killed and 400+ injured by drones by 31 Oct 2024; daily incident reports through 2026 incl. the minibus strikes of 1 Jul and 19 Aug 2026. B

Kherson city military administration, data to 21 Jul 2025: drones — 34 killed, 512 injured in 2024; 42 killed, 682 injured in 2025 to date; all weapons since Nov 2022 — 441 killed, 3,189 injured. B

SBU, 9 Jun 2026: ten operators of the 404th motorised rifle regiment (territorial defence), 'Dnepr' grouping, named and served with notices of suspicion under Art. 438(1) CCU — strikes on buses, ambulances on hospital grounds, a double strike on rescuers. B

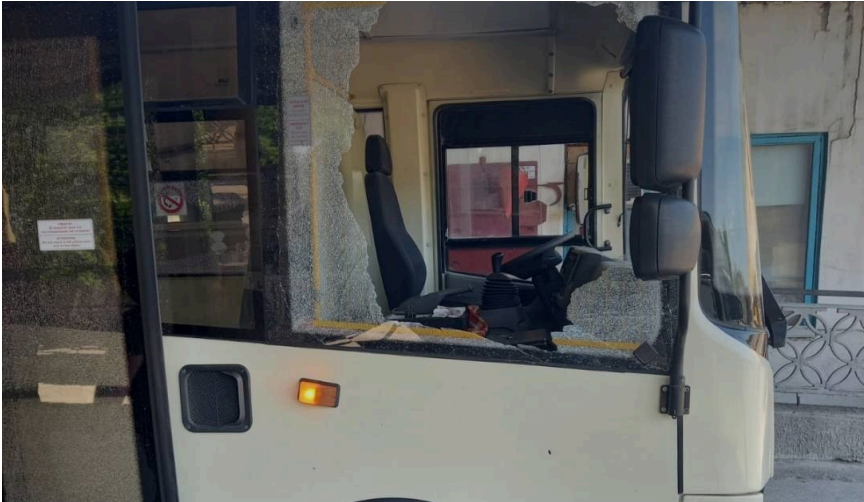
INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS

HRW, 'Hunted from Above' (3 Jun 2025): 45 attacks documented Jun–Dec 2024; 36 interviews, 83 videos; 30 killed and nearly 500 injured May–Dec 2024 (city council); apparent crimes against humanity; drones by DJI, Autel and 'Sudoplatov'. C

Truth Hounds (Nov 2025): 313 killed or injured by drones in Kherson Mar–May 2025; 135 vehicles incl. ambulances and 106 houses destroyed; attacks rose from 600–700 a week in March to 1,500+ in August 2025. C

BBC (31 Oct 2024), Kyiv Post (from Oct 2024), NYT (27 Oct 2025): the 'human safari' reporting, incl. the Telegram channel that thanks donors for the drones. C

THE NUMBERS — EVERY SOURCE, AS PUBLISHED		
Figure	What it counts	Source · date · tier
~150 · 200+	killed since Jul 2024 — the Commission's figure in May and in Oct 2025, both from local authorities	A/HRC/59/CRP.2; A/80/497 · A
hundreds · 2,000+	injured since Jul 2024 — same two reports	A/HRC/59/CRP.2; A/80/497 · A
34 / 512 · 42 / 682	killed / injured by drones in Kherson city — full year 2024 · 1 Jan – 21 Jul 2025	Kherson city military administration · B
30 / ~500	killed / injured by drones, May–Dec 2024 — HRW's figure from the city council	HRW, 3 Jun 2025 · C
100 km · 300 km	length of riverfront under attack — Kherson region only (May 2025) · three regions (Oct 2025)	Commission of Inquiry · A
70%	share of civilian casualties in Kherson caused by drones, January 2025	HRMMU, cited by HRW · A



Drone damage to public transport in Kherson, 17 May 2024. Photo: ArmyInform · CC BY 4.0 · via official site

The hub shows the Commission's aggregate first (Tier A, sourced to local authorities), city and regional counts as 'according to Ukrainian authorities' (Tier B) and NGO tallies as support (Tier C). Areas and periods differ and are labelled on each figure.

FROM THE OPERATOR TO THE GENERAL STAFF

The Commission traced the drone units to the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces and its commander, and from there to the Chief of the General Staff; Ukraine has named ten operators of one regiment. Nobody has been designated for the Kherson drone campaign as such.

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Who	Role in the case	Proceedings	Sanctions · courts
Gen. Valery Gerasimov Chief of the General Staff; commander of all Russian forces in Ukraine	Teplinsky reports directly to him (A/80/497, para. 40)	No Ukrainian charge specific to Kherson drones; no public ICC warrant	EU, US, UK, Canada and others — listed since 2022 as Chief of the General Staff, not for Kherson
Col-Gen Mikhail Teplinsky commander, 'Dnepr' Group of Forces; commander of the Airborne Forces	Commands the units conducting the drone attacks; briefed the Defence Minister on a unified drone-control system, Jul 2025 (A/80/497, para. 40)	No public charge for Kherson drones	—
404th motorised rifle regiment (territorial defence) 'Dnepr' grouping, left bank	Ten operators named by the SBU: Grigoryan, Gubar, Denysenko, Klimov, Kornenkov, Nizhnikov, Nugaev, Orlov, Prusachenko, Pukhlyakov (call signs recorded)	Notices of suspicion in absentia, Art. 438(1) CCU, 9 Jun 2026	—
'Sudoplatov' volunteer group and crowdfunded supply chains Russian drone producer and Telegram fundraisers	Supplied drones used in the attacks (HRW, 3 Jun 2025); channels thank donors for the equipment (BBC)	None	—

CHAIN OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Commission's sequence (A/80/497, paras. 11, 40, 51): drone units on the occupied left bank → the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces under Teplinsky → the General Staff under Gerasimov; the attacks were carried out under an organisational policy, and the unified drone-control system briefed to the Defence Minister in July 2025 shows central direction.

The operators are the only level Ukraine has charged so far (SBU, 9 Jun 2026); the Prosecutor General has said the aim is to identify 'operators, units and chains of command' (4 Aug 2026).

THE RUSSIAN STATE'S OWN ACTS

Russia has not acknowledged either Commission report; the Ministry of Defence does not comment on individual strikes on the right bank.

On 1–2 Jan 2026 Russia's Geneva envoy Gatilov demanded that the High Commissioner publicly condemn an alleged Ukrainian drone strike on a café in occupied Khorly; Zakharova called it a 'terrorist attack'. Russia thus asserts, for the occupied bank, the rule it denies for the right bank.

In July 2025 Col-Gen Teplinsky briefed the Defence Minister on a drone control system to use drones 'according to a unified plan' — the official act the Commission cites for central command (A/80/497, para. 40).

Sanctions column: only designations confirmed in the designating authorities' own lists. A dash means none was identified for this campaign.

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SILENCE ABOUT THE FEED, OUTRAGE ABOUT THE OTHER BANK

Russia has offered no account of the drone campaign: no target list, no investigation, no reply to two UN reports. Its only statements on civilian harm in Kherson region concern the occupied left bank, where it demands the condemnation it withholds for the right.

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RUSSIAN TELEGRAM CHANNEL LINKED TO THE DRONE UNITS · POST CITED BY THE COMMISSION · 2024

“Get out of the city before the leaves fall, you who are destined to die.”
Commission of Inquiry, A/HRC/59/CRP.2, 28 May 2025 (press release)

COL-GEN MIKHAIL TEPLINSKY · COMMANDER, 'DNEPR' GROUP OF FORCES · BRIEFING TO THE DEFENCE MINISTER, JUL 2025

“[A system to use drones] according to a unified plan.”
Russian MoD publication of the briefing, as cited in A/80/497, para. 40

MARIA ZAKHAROVA · RUSSIAN MFA SPOKESWOMAN · 1 JAN 2026; GENNADY GATILOV · RUSSIA'S ENVOY IN GENEVA · 2 JAN 2026

“A terrorist attack [on civilians in Khorly]; [the High Commissioner must] publicly condemn [it] as quickly as possible.”
Al Jazeera, 1 Jan 2026; DN (Lusa), 2 Jan 2026 — Telegram statements

A THREAT THE COMMISSION TREATED AS EVIDENCE OF INTENT

The post accompanies videos of civilians being struck; the Commission found that recurrent attacks, posted videos and threats together form a coordinated policy to force residents out — the crime against humanity of forcible transfer (A/80/497, para. 54).
What the claim concedes: That the attacks are aimed at the population and intended to make it leave.

CENTRAL COMMAND, IN RUSSIA'S OWN WORDS

The Commission cites the briefing as showing that drone use in the group of forces is directed from the top; the units attacking Kherson are part of that group. The chain runs Teplinsky → Gerasimov → the political leadership.
What the claim concedes: That drone operations on the Kherson front are centrally planned and controlled.

A STANDARD RUSSIA APPLIES TO ONE BANK ONLY

Russia asked the UN to condemn one alleged Ukrainian strike on the occupied bank while ignoring two UN reports on more than 200 civilians killed by its own drones on the other. The Khorly claim could not be independently verified (Al Jazeera).
What the claim concedes: That deliberate drone strikes on civilians are a crime requiring UN condemnation.

FAIR TO SAY

The Commission relied largely on remote evidence — videos posted by the units, interviews in person and online — and did not visit the area; its casualty aggregates are those of local authorities. The hub labels them accordingly.

Ukrainian drones also strike the occupied left bank; Russian-installed authorities report civilian casualties there, which the hub cannot verify. The Commission's finding concerns the pattern on the right bank: visibly civilian targets, ambulances, posted videos, threats to leave.

Local counts differ by area and period, and HRMMU's verified figures are lower than local ones. The SBU's notices of 9 Jun 2026 are charges, not findings.

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MURDER AND FORCIBLE TRANSFER, BY CAMERA

Kherson is the first case in this war in which a UN commission has found crimes against humanity on the basis of the perpetrators' own video record, and has traced the units to the General Staff.

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Commission of Inquiry (28 May 2025): crime against humanity of murder; war crime of intentionally directing attacks against civilians; war crime of outrages upon personal dignity (posting the videos); attacks widespread, systematic and part of a coordinated state policy.

Commission of Inquiry (21 Oct 2025, A/80/497): crime against humanity of forcible transfer (para. 54); units of the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces under central command (para. 40); over 200 killed and over 2,000 injured since July 2024 (para. 10).

PATTERN — WHAT THE RECORD SHOWS

The same method along the whole right bank and in Nikopol district across the river from Enerhodar (Truth Hounds, 2025), and in frontline towns of Sumy, Kharkiv and Donetsk regions (Prosecutor General, Aug 2026).

Double-tap strikes on ambulances and rescuers — 43 documented nationwide by the Prosecutor General; the Commission's Poniativka case; the SBU's charge of a double strike on DSNS crews.

POSITION — UKRAINE'S QUALIFICATION

Ukraine qualifies the attacks as violations of the laws and customs of war (Art. 438 CCU); ten operators charged in absentia on 9 Jun 2026; the Prosecutor General has stated the objective of charging units and chains of command.

Ukraine holds that the Commission's finding of a coordinated state policy engages the responsibility of the 'Dnepr' command and the General Staff (Rome Statute arts. 25, 28) — an allegation pending adjudication.

THE RULES THAT APPLY

Rome Statute art. 7(1)(a) and (d): murder and forcible transfer as crimes against humanity when part of a widespread or systematic attack on a civilian population pursuant to a policy.

Rome Statute art. 8(2)(b)(i), (xxi) and (xxiv); AP I arts. 51(2) (terror), 12 and 21 (medical units and transport); GC IV art. 49.

WHAT WE DO NOT KNOW

Whether the ICC Office of the Prosecutor has opened a Kherson drone file; no public step found.

Unit-level attribution beyond the 404th regiment.

The casualty toll on the occupied left bank from Ukrainian strikes, reported only by Russian-installed authorities.

WHAT WE ASK

- Cite both UN findings.** Use the Commission's conclusions of 28 May and 21 Oct 2025 — murder and forcible transfer as crimes against humanity — in Council, Assembly and Human Rights Council statements on Kherson.
- Sanction the command and the supply chain.** Designate Col-Gen Teplinsky and the 'Dnepr' Group of Forces command for the drone campaign; list the 404th regiment and the crowdfunding channels and producers (incl. 'Sudoplatov') that supply the drones.
- Bring it to the ICC.** Ask the Prosecutor to open a Kherson file on the basis of A/80/497, with the geolocated video record and the 2026 Ukrainian charges as a starting point.
- Protect the streets.** Fund anti-drone netting, interceptor drones and armoured ambulances for Kherson and the other right-bank communities; the UN humanitarian system should treat drone protection as life-saving assistance.

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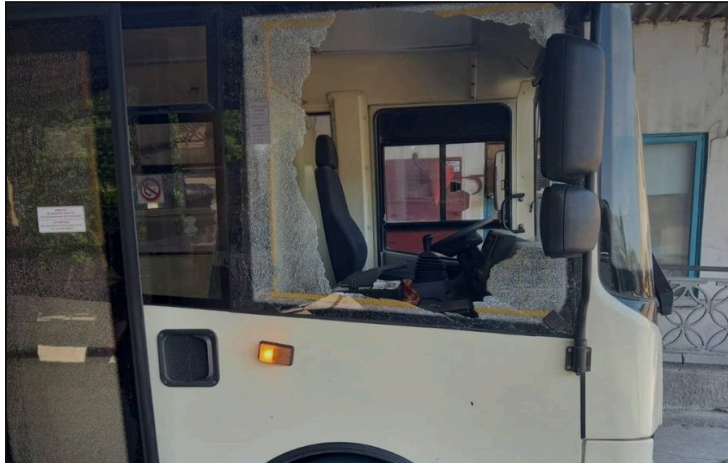
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A Kherson municipal bus attacked three times by Russian drones; drivers and passengers unhurt, 17 May 2024

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Drone damage to public transport in Kherson, 17 May 2024

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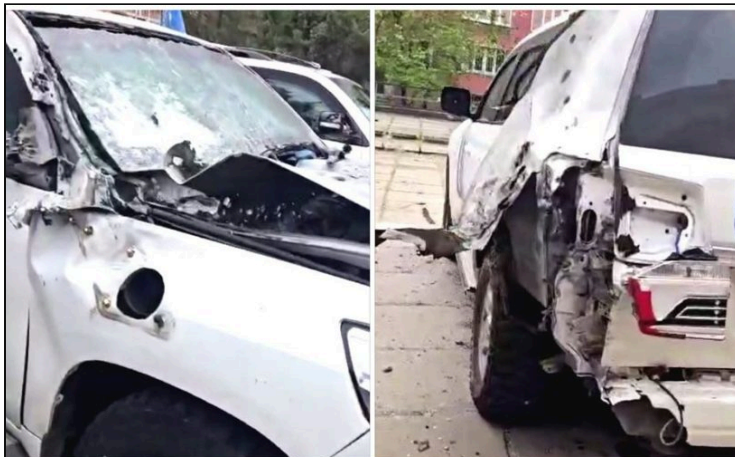
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Vehicles of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs damaged by a Russian drone in Korabelnyi district, Kherson, 14 May 2026

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<https://armyinform.com.ua/2026/05/14/avtivky-oon-potrapiyly-pid-udar-rosijsko-go-drona-u-hersoni/>



Anti-drone netting over a road in Kherson region — more than 207 km installed by June 2026

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