## NEWS DIGEST OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION APRIL 7, 2022

The High Commissioner for Human Rights in the Russian Federation Tatiana Moskalkova has urged the Investigative Committee and the Chief Military Prosecutor's Office to open a criminal case in connection with a video depicting Ukrainian soldiers executing wounded Russian soldiers during the withdrawal of Russian Armed Forces units from Kiev on 30 March. The authenticity of the video showing Ukrainian servicemen shooting Russian wounded servicemen has been confirmed by the US newspaper "The New York Times".

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The Commissioner expresses concern that, according to reports from Russian military personnel, the Ukrainian side shows an unwillingness to exchange military officers, thus failing to fulfill its obligations under the Geneva Convention. Such an approach effectively destroys any remaining hope that morality and ethics will be respected in relation to POWs.

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A representative of the Commissioner visited School No. 19 in Penza, where she examined the conditions of education for refugee children from the LNR, DNR, and Ukraine. Penza Region was one of the first constituent entities of the Russian Federation to accept citizens evacuated from the Donetsk and Lugansk People's Republics. Since February 22, 1666 citizens of the Russian Federation, Ukraine, the DNR and LNR, including 617 children, arrived in Penza Region for residence in temporary accommodation centers. At the moment 103



children are studying in the modern and



comfortable school. The most favorable environment for the children is established.

In addition, the representative held personal meetings with citizens in two sanatoriums where refugees were placed. Immediately during one of the meetings one issue of receiving benefits for the birth of a child was resolved.

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