

NEWS DIGEST OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION APRIL 11-12, 2022



On April 12, the High Commissioner for Human Rights in the Russian Federation Tatiana Moskalkova took part in a discussion organised by ENNHRI and UN Human Rights Regional Office for Europe (OHCHR) “Exchange on the human rights situation of those fleeing Ukraine: the perspective of NHRIs”.

In her speech, Tatiana Moskalkova reported that more than 500 thousand people have arrived in Russia since February 24, 2022, of whom more than 20 thousand are in temporary accommodation centers, and noted that Russia is taking all necessary measures to protect the rights of the evacuated citizens and creates all conditions for people’s safety.

A special working group has been set up in the Office of the High Commissioner to monitor observance of the rights of these citizens and a 24/7 hotline has been set up to promptly review incoming appeals. Interaction with the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in the Russian Federation and the “Russian Red Cross” Society is continuing.

The Ombudsperson and staff of the Office of the High Commissioner visited 68 temporary accommodation centres in 18 constituent entities of the Russian Federation, where they conducted personal interviews with people.

Work is currently underway to resolve the problems of granting the right to Russian citizenship to arriving persons under the simplified procedure and to facilitate the restoration of documents and preferential registration of work permits for those willing to find employment.

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