

**NEWS DIGEST OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
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On April 16, Tatiana Moskalkova, the High Commissioner for Human Rights in the Russian Federation, organized a tour to the Cathedral of Christ the Savior for citizens from the DNR, LNR, and Ukraine.

Fifty people, including 25 children from the “Zvonkie Golosa” (“Ringing Voices”) children’s resort in the Klin district of Moscow Region, visited one of Russia’s main landmarks.

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Statement of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in the Russian Federation:

In Ukraine, on the occasion of Lviv City Day, a “present” is being prepared for its residents – the renaming of streets with names associated with Russia.

A Ukrainian human rights activist expressed outrage in this regard: “It is surprising that such streets existed in Lviv at all”.

Imagine, they did. They did, because the names of Pushkin, Lermontov, Turgenev, Mendeleev, Tsiolkovsky, Bryullov, and many other great Russian classics and scientists are a part of the global cultural space that unites people in their most humane aspirations; because many generations of citizens living in Ukraine have grown up with their ideas, discoveries and works.

Just for your information: we are not fighting with anyone’s cultural heritage. Mazepa’s Chambers are here to stay as they were, not to mention the Shevchenko embankment, Ukrainian boulevard, streets of Ivan Franko, Mykhailo Kotsyubinsky and many others. No one in Russia would ever think of taking down existing monuments, either.

Because we remember: one cannot love his heritage out of hatred for someone else’s. That is where dehumanization really begins.

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