

# THE ATROCITIES OF THE KIEV NEO-NAZI REGIME IN THE KURSK REGION OF RUSSIA



The data collected by the International Public Tribunal on the Crimes of Ukrainian Neo-Nazis (Chairman - Maxim S. Grigoriev) prove the facts of war crimes and crimes against humanity by the Kiev neo-Nazi regime.

Victims from the Kursk region speak of deliberate and targeted killings of Russian citizens by the Ukrainian armed forces using small arms, unmanned aerial vehicles (both kamikaze UAVs and the dropping of grenades and various explosive devices from them are used), and the shelling of peaceful private homes with artillery and mortars. In violation of the Geneva Conventions, the Kiev regime is also purposefully shelling and destroying Russian civilian objects, hospitals and Orthodox churches.



**Galina Dmitrievna Samborskaya (75 years old),  
resident of Kazachya Loknya village  
(Kursk region)**

«How was I injured? We drove down our street to the crossroads. There was a Vasilek shop there with a table and two benches by the entrance. Near the shop stood a military man in the camouflage uniform of the Ukrainian Armed Forces and a machine gun. He stood with one foot on the bench and another one on the pavement.

Suddenly he fired at the first car. Our friends were in it. The Ukrainian soldier fired his machine gun in one direction and then in the opposite direction. Our friends got hit higher in the car, we got hit lower. His wife was killed. She was hit in the chest. She only had time to repeat twice: I was hit, I was hit. And that was it, she died.

Our car got hit in the wheel. I was covered in blood. My hands were completely red. In addition to the fact that the wheel was shot through, the fuel oil was leaking. We drove off, but the car drove about 400 metres and warmed up. So we drove to the village slowly little by little up to the Bolshoi Soldier village. There we found a medical centre. Luckily for us, our military medics were there. They gave first aid to me and my husband.

My thigh was completely shot through by the burst bullet. There is a very deep wound. The first operation was done here on arrival. They took out the shrapnel. The second operation was to remove the dead tissue. And then two days ago they did the final operation. They wanted to do a tissue transplant, but the wound was so bad, they couldn't do it. They say the transplanted tissue won't take root there. My husband was shot below the knee and up to the groin.

We moved here permanently years ago. My husband is Ukrainian by nationality and was born in Kirovograd region, so he always wanted to be closer to his homeland. Since the (Soviet) Union was divided, we moved closer to his homeland.

When the Ukrainians were shooting, I was probably not even scared, but rather surprised that they were shooting at us. I was so shocked that I did not feel any pain at all until the moment I came here, although I was bleeding. It was scary. And when we learnt that Tanya had been killed, then...»





**Yury Ivanovich Maklakov,  
resident of Zaoleshenka village  
(Kursk region)**

«On 7 August I was shot at the ring road in Sudzha. I went to the right. I stopped where civilian cars stood with lights on. There were not any military vehicles. I went to look. All the passengers were dead. There were more than ten cars, all damaged by small arms fire. You could see that the wings and wheels were punctured. Ukrainians shot at them.

There was only one wounded person, he had bullet wounds. Everything below the waist was shot up. I went to see him at night. It was opposite the petrol station. We walked slowly. When he was about 300 metres away, there was a shot. He was probably killed.

The Ukrainian soldiers are engaged in genocide. They kill. They must have had such an order, or they're just inhumane».



**Valentina Ivanovna Zolotaryova (71 years old),  
resident of Zaoleshenka village  
(Kursk region)**

«The Ukrainian Armed Forces soldiers entered the house of my acquaintances, a woman and her husband, and killed them.

Her house was near the village council of Zaoleshenka. She worked in the village council.

They stayed there as they couldn't get out, and they were killed. She was about 80 years old, and so was he. The Ukrainian military just shot them dead.

In the neighbouring village a son came to visit his mother. The Ukrainian forces came in and killed them both, him and his mother. His mother was younger than me, about 55 years old. A man came on holiday and was killed.

What the Ukrainian Armed Forces did was scary. People recounted what they had seen. What they saw, how corpses lay there and how they were abused. Now these Ukrainians show videos how they shot civilians».





**Roman Aleksandrovich Yatsenko,**  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)

«On 6 August the heavy shelling started. I talked to my wife, she jumped out of the basement, but then I made the last call and she told me that there was a heavy shelling. After that there was no connection anymore. The next day I decided to go after her.

I was warned that civilians were being killed there, that the city was occupied. I thought, well, what will be will be. When I reached the ring road, I heard machine gun fire. Just as I came there, a car turned around and got shot at. The second car came out and got shot at. I decided to go around the edge of the field.

I saw dead bodies in a red Neva car. Then I saw another body in a white car. They both were civilian cars. A Ukrainian soldier started shooting at me. I sat down and then realised that he was not following me. I stayed where I was and moved on.

I approached the house and knocked. We quickly packed, took comfortable shoes, mobile phones, power banks and documents. I instructed my family to walk in an extended line, so as not to be too close to each other. I explained to the kids, 'We are one big ear, we walk and listen to the drones.' All the children obeyed.

We approached the field again. The Ukrainian military started shooting again, although he saw that there were five children.

We ran, then crawled, then walked along the landing. The grass was covered in blood, people were killed there. There were eight or nine cars near the ring road, plus three more on the motorway. They were shot and burned by drones».



**Inna Vladimirovna Gavryushova,**  
resident of the village of Tetkino  
(Kursk region)

«The village of Tetkino is near the border, three hundred metres from it. On 16 August 2024, I myself personally was riding away on a bicycle for fourteen kilometres. Ukrainian shelling continued constantly, then there were drones. They hit people, the settlement and houses. Shrapnel flew at me and the house was smashed. A neighbour's house across the street had its wires cut. Then just two houses away my neighbour's garden was hit. There was a man-sized pit in the ground.

We saw a car smashed by a drone in the centre. There were two wounded people lying there. Two doors were blown out and windows smashed. A man was dead and a woman was still alive. I could see that the woman's leg was torn. She was lying with her jacket on. A man was covered in blood. He was covered by a rug, All his insides were visible in his stomach».





**Elena Valentinovna Galeva,**  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)

«We left Korenevo village on Saturday on 10 August. We have an ordinary small blue car Oka. When we drove onto the bridge, there was a sharp buzzing and explosions. The only thing I had time to shout to my child and my Dad, that they lay on the floor. My daughter was 20 years old, just turned 20 on 2 May. She was killed. My Dad was killed. My husband was also killed.

When I came to my senses, my husband was lying there dead. My daughter had been thrown out of the car. It seemed like

she was still alive. I started screaming, calling for help.

I had a head injury, fractured collarbone and scapula. Doctors were pulling shrapnel out of my shoulders».



**Nikolai Pavlovich Golodkov,**  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)

«I was given a task to drive crushed stone to Sudzha to the asphalt plant. We loaded up and drove to Sudzha. When we were driving close to Sudzha, I looked up into the sky and I did not see anyone. I looked down and there it was, the drone.

I remember it like I see it now. It was a big black box with red with white stripes, wrapped in blue tape. Right there in front of me. There was an explosion below my windscreen. I crawled out of the car. It was dark in my eyes and I could not hear anything. My head was buzzing. My seat started on fire. They got me into the car and brought me to the hospital. Thanks to the medics,

they anaesthetised me immediately, cleaned me up and did everything. I have lacerations. They pulled out a piece of shrapnel.

The Ukrainian soldiers hit us on purpose. They had an order to destroy Russians. They attacked us for that. There were other cars on fire, too. The Ukrainians hit them with drones. Those were cars of ordinary people. When we were driving, we got a little higher up, and two cars were burning there. There were people there.

One guy told us that they were driving out and were stopped by the Ukrainians who were Nazi. They brought them back and said, 'No, we won't let you out'. That guy had his father and mother in the car. He said, 'I am going to Sudzha, I want to go around the field.' The Ukrainian fighters opened fire to kill him. He and his father were wounded and the car was battered. Then a Ukrainian sniper worked. He even saw how that sniper's bullet went through the bonnet. Well, he jumped out.

There were many cases like that. There's a guy here in the hospital from the village of Pogrebki. A Ukrainian tank shot him. He was driving his family. All his family were killed instantly. He has been wounded heavily, also a shrapnel wound».





**Valery Pavlovich Moiseyev,**  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)

«From May Ukrainian drones started dropping explosive charges on villages around Sudzha very often. There was shelling in Goncharovka. I think 14 houses were damaged there. Civilians were shelled. There are no military units there. It's just a residential area, suburbs of Sudzha.

Yuri Netkach picked up his 11-year-old daughter Polina from the sanatorium and asked his friend for a lift home. They drove and literally were about twenty metres away from home when a

Ukrainian shell hit them from behind. The car was pierced by shrapnel like a sieve. Netkach was killed on the spot. His half leg was torn off. The chauffeur had a part of his leg torn out by shrapnel, and the girl Polina had multiple shrapnel internal hits and hits in her neck. The shelling was on the station part of the town of Sudzha. A fire started, the house was completely destroyed. It cannot be restored. The woman was pulled out with burns. Her husband had experienced such horror that he had a stroke. Why did the civilians deserve such sufferings?

On 6 August there was a mass shelling. There has never been such a brutal and massive shelling through all the time. Shell bursts sounded across the city. They hit the laundry next to the kindergarten, there was smoke from there. Tanks, Grads and drones were firing there. It was not just a charge from a drone, but firing from a tank. Before that, we had a drone attack on petrol stations. There was a hit in the hospital area, a man was killed when he was coming out from his car to go to work. He was killed near his car.

It felt like year 1941. As a child I watched a lot of films about the war, when the Germans entered a city. This picture came to my mind, and I understood that it was my destiny to experience this day as the Soviet people did on 22 June in 1941».



**Vladislav Igorevich Voskoboynikov,**  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk Region)

«On 6 August there was an attack of Ukrainian drones, then the shelling started. After the shelling they started shelling Goncharovka village with grad. In the city three buildings were destroyed. Ukrainians were firing and shelling from everything they could.

My brother and his friend went to Sudzha to pick up his family. They drove in normally, picked up the family and started driving out, when their car was shelled. Three bullets hit the windscreen. They were so lucky, it was a miracle they got out».





**Vladimir Petrovich Maksin (75 years old),  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)**

«I was travelling along a bypass road. When I reached the turn to Kursk, I noticed that there were four people wearing helmets standing ahead of me. There were two on one side of the road and two on the other side of the road. They had automatic rifles. Their outfit was Ukrainian, not like our guys. They had blue rims on their helmets and their sleeves. A little further, higher up, there was a machine-gun point.

I turned to the right towards the railway station. I thought I would skip through. Well, I couldn't get past and they opened fire. I got up on the side of the road, and lay down on the right seat. In short, I was shot from a machine gun. When I started to bleed, I decided to get out of the car, go into the slope there and hide behind the road. When I opened the door, the light in the cabin turned on, and then I received another automatic machine gunfire. I heard the car hit and the rear window shattered. Ukrainians were shooting at the light. The cars behind me were also hit. They were civilian cars, there were no military people there.

Before that, another car drove passing me probably thirty metres to the right. I was driving towards the railway station on the right, and he was driving from the railway station that way. There's a monument to the MIG-29 there. They smashed the monument, fired at it from tanks. That car stopped somewhere there, I heard a scream of pain. There were women there, I heard their moans. There was another burnt-out car opposite me. It was completely burnt.

The women found me and dragged me out. Their driver was wounded in his spine. He was moaning and lying there for a long time. He died before morning. Most likely he was shot at from a machine gun.

We started to drive out and saw a Ukrainian drone above us. The road was straight, we must have done more than 160 kilometers an hour. Before morning the fog sticks to the optics. If the weather was clear, he would have caught up with us. Although the drone's speed was high, maybe 120-130 kilometers. He chased us, but we drove away. Then my son met me just before Kursk and immediately took me to the regional hospital straight to the operating table. They took out the shrapnel and all the bullets. That is what happened here, how things were.

One priest was driving out before a Ukrainian drone hit him and smashed his car. He survived, but the car was wrecked. Everywhere you look around, cars are smashed and burnt out.

My neighbour came back to pick up his stuff. Another kid from the asphalt plant came with him. They started driving down the motorway. His son was killed by a machine gun. The father got out of the passenger seat saying, 'Sonny, sonny.' There was another fire from the machine gun and he was killed as well. The guy who was sitting with them, opened the door and crawled to the roadside, and escaped. He was with us in the hospital. My neighbour's mother came to see me in the hospital. I couldn't tell her that both her son and her husband had been killed.

So many cars were beaten up, and you could see that there are people there in the cars. When we were leaving, we saw in the ditch burnt corpses in those cars. It's horrible».





**Dmitry Vasilyevich Dyachenko,**  
resident of the village of Pogrebki  
(Kursk region)

«I personally saw a Ukrainian armoured vehicle firing from mortars towards the village. And our people were driving also; Sashka was in the first car. There were two of them. Their son with Sashka's wife and Ilyushka was driving in the second car.

A Ukrainian column was moving along the road. The first armoured cars pulled aside and a tank fired at the cars. It was exactly the tank that was coming behind, it was exactly the tank that fired.

And after that a machine gun fired at the car right on the move. Sashka's son said that he found Uncle Vitya, but he couldn't find his father. And as it turned out, he was found about two days later and was picked up. Natalya was wounded, and her husband was killed».



**Dmitry Ilyich Lavro,**  
resident of the village of Korenevo  
(Kursk region)

«My family and I left the village on the night of 6-7 August. On 11-12 August me and my mate went to pick up the stuff. When we drove out to the road fork, we saw off the road a lot of shelled civilian cars. There were dead people in them. There was a man and his wife in one car. The Ukrainian Armed Forces fired at them. The wife was apparently still alive. She was probably trying to crawl out of the car. They must have been in their 60s.

When my friend and I were driving out, there was a small bridge there and my car also came under fire. My friend was wounded twice in the leg. When the Ukrainian Armed Forces started firing we started zigzagging along the road.

The Ukrainian Armed Forces (UAF) are not human beings. What are they? To fire at old men and women and ordinary people without weapons? They are not human beings. Many people told us that when the UAF entered villages, they abused and humiliated old women. We have a village council in Lyubimivka. One old woman lives alone in the village. The UAF came with their flag. They took away our flag and hang up theirs. The old lady came up and started talking to them. One of the UAF started firing from the Kalashnikov just under her feet».





**Natalia Viktorovna Shelekhova,  
resident of Cherkasskoye Porechnoye village  
(Kursk region)**

«On 6 August my husband and I decided to drive our granddaughter away to my friend's. We drove; my husband sat at the front, and two of my daughters, my son-in-law and my little granddaughter were sitting behind.

My granddaughter is two years old. We left the village because of my granddaughter, we were saving her.

When we were driving, we did not reach the village behind the bridge, when we were attacked by a Ukrainian drone. It dropped bombs on my car. Twice there were kind of fireballs. Well, we managed to get away from the drone after all. I felt hot in my side. A back tyre was flat when we arrived in the village. My sister was already there. She hugged me, and when she stretched out her arm, she had blood on her arm.

She said, 'Natasha, you are wounded.' I was given medical assistance. I was wounded in the side. I was hit in my liver. I had an operation. It was long. Well, then they put some bags on my body to drain the blood. The Ukrainian military just want to kill us. They're beasts».



**Oksana Nikolaevna Karpenko,  
resident of Popovo-Lezhachi village  
(Kursk Oblast)**

«We took our children to school and travelled back by minibus. There were about 6-7 people there. There was a drone which dropped a shell. The driver pulled over to the side of the road and said, 'I'm not going there, there are drones flying there.' We got into the car, and a Ukrainian drone hit us from behind. There were four people in the car.

It was an ordinary passenger civilian car. The UAF drone dropped an explosive and it hit our car. The car fell on the side. I jumped out of the car. Alina was already headless. Tanya said that she wanted to ask where Alina was. Alina's head came off.

I had moderate wounds in my thigh. I had five big splinters and a few small ones. The small ones are still coming out. Tanya also had a lot of splinters in the back, but she had less than me. But Grandma Masha had heavy ones. She had burns, a lot of burns. And, of course, a lot of splinters. Grandma Masha is about 70 years old. The UAF trained on civilians. Three vehicles in one day».





**Galina Vladimirovna Molokoyedova,  
resident of Snagost village  
(Kursk region)**

«We left Snagost early in the morning. As soon as we almost reached Korenevo, we saw corpses lying there. We drove straight through the corpses.

There were a lot of smashed cars and people lying around. So many dead people lying around, and cars smashed up. We passed them and saw some shells on the road. It's good we didn't hit them. We thought we'd hit them and explode.

We reached Korenevo village and the UAF started shooting at us. We started to turn and I was hit in the shoulder. I saw that I was bleeding.

Then I felt that I was bleeding through my cardigan. There was some blood on the car. We have a blue coloured Zhiguli. My husband was driving and there were three of us».



**Irina Grigorievna Morozova,  
resident of Korenevo village  
(Kursk Oblast)**

«At the exit from Korenevo village, before reaching the bridge, Ukrainians shot at cars. The cars, of course, were civilian. People tried to leave the village on their own cars. The UAF military had already entered the village.

People tried to leave the village on their own cars. They were shot at point-blank range with machine guns. Five cars were leaving, and all of them were shot.

They did not leave a single person alive. The families were in five cars. At least fifteen or even more people were killed by Ukrainians. They said there was no one left alive.

People from Korenevo village said that when the UAF came in, they just shot people with machine guns, with machine gun bursts, regardless of who was there - old people, children or adults.

This was where Baranovka Street and the Giant centre are. They burned houses and shot people dead».





**Natalia Popova,  
resident of the village of Guevo  
(Kursk Oblast)**

«The village of Guevo is 18 kilometres from Sudzha. The UAF started driving jeeps. They put up their own flags, those rags. My grandmother lived during the war, and I read the history. They're not human beings. Who would leave you alive? Now they write for foreign countries that they feed people with bread, but they actually rob people. Fascists also fed people with chocolate at first, and then put them to the stake.

Although people have already called from there, saying that they killed this one and that one. We don't even know the truth now.

When we were leaving, we all gathered in one house - twenty-five people. We went, and the nightmare had already begun. When people saw a drone, they all ran under a tree. Or you sat very quietly and then do short runs to the forest. We walked for two days. And so did the kids. The kids were very good, they didn't make a sound. There were two girls, the twins, fourteen years old. Altogether there were ten children walking. The youngest, I think, was two and a half years old, a girl Arina.

Drones made walking worst. If they spotted us, they released bombs and blew up. You see, there were a lot of them, especially lately. They didn't let us live, even in the village. There's a car in the yard, they burned and threw it. They shelled us for two years in the beginning. Those drones flew from Ukraine. But there were not so many drones.

So the UAF's drones are flying. A car stands smashed. Then they started ruining the house. It's like a game for them. They burnt down one car and burnt down another one».



**Nikolai Dmitrievich Dzyuba,  
resident of the village of Guevo  
(Kursk region)**

«On 6 August I went out to the yard to consult with relatives and neighbours as to what we were going to do. A Ukrainian drone turned up. It flew over, hovered, flew off and started attacking me. I bounced or rolled away from the place. The drone exploded and a neighbour's car exploded in the blast. I was concussed, and wounded in my leg, back and neck.

I was dressed as an ordinary villager. Ukrainians saw that I was a civilian, dressed in civilian clothes. There were no military in the village at all. Ukrainians military shelled and intimidated the local population. They tortured us with shelling. There were mortars, then drones.

On 8 August our neighbours came and said that Ukrainian soldiers had taken all of the village. They were hanging their flag on the House of Culture and shooting. We took everything we could, and went on foot through the forests. The central streets were cut off. Twenty-one persons came out on that day; old people and children».





**Anna Ivanovna Lyushnaya (61 years old),  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)**

«I was wounded on 7 August late in the evening. We were driving out of Sudzha and were attacked by a Ukrainian drone. We had a side impact. We were driving, my husband was at the wheel.

Then such dirty crumbs flew around. At first I thought that we drove into a puddle. At first one, then another. Then my knee started burning. I saw blood. My leg was cut across.

There was a man sitting in the front. He was my neighbour. He got hit, too. Then an ambulance picked me up and brought me to Kursk to this hospital».



**Mikhail Fyodorovich Vorontsov,  
resident of the village Zamostye  
(Kursk region)**

«On 7 August in the evening I was driving out of Sudzha on the bypass. Two men with blue armbands on their heads and on their sleeves were climbing up the road.

One of them raises his gun. I accelerated and heard that my car was hit. Windows broke down and I got hit in the head. I drove out on the bypass road. Then I lost consciousness for a while.

I slowed down. Then I heard like peas started dropping on the wheel, it was very strong. I accelerated and accelerated, switched from the third to the fourth speed and crossed the railway crossing. Then I crossed the bridge, drove to the bypass and drove away.

On the way I saw a shelled and burnt out car. Then there were a few more cars. A Honda was parked. It was also shelled, but not burned. Two more cars were burned. All the shelled and burned cars were civilian ones.

When I arrived here in Kursk, people called me an ambulance. I was brought to the hospital. There was a girl of 7 years old. She was telling all the way that Ukrainians had killed her father, Her mother was badly wounded. This girl was badly cut.

Then a woman of 74 years old was brought from Kurilovka. Her son had been shot. She was heavily bruised. Ukrainian military beat her.

There was a man called Nikolay. A drone flew in and his car was shot. Another man called Maxim had a bullet wound. He drove his car, a Volkswagen, and the UAF fired at him from the tyre shop.

All this was to intimidate us. But it is useless».





**Vladimir Vasilyevich Shevtsov (69 years old),  
resident of the village of Zhuravli  
(Kursk region)**

«When the Ukrainians came in, they didn't walk calmly, they were firing. At first came the APCs and you could hear the sound of machine guns firing. They were hitting at the windows. A bullet flew into my kitchen. The gates were punched, there were holes in the gates. My neighbour's roof was punched. They must have been fighting civilians or wanted to frighten them.

On 12 August at about 11 o'clock in the afternoon I was standing. My wife and my kid were sitting on the sofa. A shot was fired through the window, the window was pierced, then there was a strong click and something glittered. A bullet or shrapnel tore a piece of metal out of the fridge door. I was wounded in my shoulder. There was a deep wound in the back and below the elbow. The doctors pulled out a small piece of shrapnel. And there is another shard in my shoulder. It is deep, so the doctors did not take it out. The body needs to loosen the muscles a little».



**Ivan Yuryevich Kovalyov,  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)**

«There were a lot of attacks by Ukrainian drones. They attacked petrol stations in front of my eyes for about a month before the general attack.

One petrol station near my work was blown up by a drone. And then when the fire brigade and the EMERGENCIES came, the UAF hit a fire truck right before my eyes. This was in the centre of the town.

As I was coming out of town, I saw a first civilian car that was burned out. And my mate who was driving me, told me that a Ukrainian drone had dropped a charge right before his eyes. You could see the wrecked civilian cars from the drone drops. There was blood there. One of the cars had a bloody bandage on the back seat, and the boot was opened.

When I went back to the town to pick up my mum, there was a constant buzz of drones. I had to hide under a bus stop or a tree. It would fly by, buzz, and then literally minutes later you'd hear an explosion. And then it would buzz again, one minute, then the explosion.

There is one family. I met them at the temporary accommodation centre. They are from Gogolevka. It is practically the closest to the border settlement. They had to walk through the swamps because they couldn't drive out on the road.

They saw Ukrainian tanks. They were crawling through the swamp and through the forest. They had to walk thirty kilometers to get out of there. Ukrainian forces were shooting at them».





**Valentina Grigorieva Khudyakova,  
resident of Martynovka village  
(Kursk region)**

«It was very loud and scary. On Tuesday morning I went to work, there was shelling. I said, 'Let's get ready'.

Somehow it got scarier and scarier, and more and more loud. We ran down to the basement a few times and stayed in the basement.

On Tuesday about four o'clock in the morning I got up. There was no gas already. It turned out that they had blown up a gas line and shut off the gas.

About 10 o'clock on Tuesday the lights went out. I went to work again. The Ukrainians were purposefully hitting the base first. The base is our organisation. At Novo-Ivanovka an agro-firm had KamAZ trucks and tractors there. In general, there was machinery and warehouses with grain there. So the Ukrainian forces shelled there.

At work me and the girls were managing the farm. Suddenly we saw a drone flying over. I shouted: 'Girls, look, a drone!' We were hiding under the bushes.

A Ukrainian drone flew by. It flew somewhere towards the village. We heard an explosion from there. They detonated something there. Everything was burning black.

On Wednesday I said: 'Girls, let's go home and take shelter somewhere in the basement.' I ran home. I didn't know that cars were burning on the road. I ran along the landing. Although there was already a rumour, 'don't run, don't drive on the track, drones are hitting and cars and people are burning'.

When I came home, it turns out that we were the last ones to leave from our street. We jumped in the car and left for Martynovka. We just arrived and did not get out of the car, when drones started flying one by one, as if they were waiting for us and hunting after us. And then again that sound 'gook, gook', and 'grads' with shrapnel flew. Everything flew, we heard only 'bang' in the yard. My husband said, 'Let's get out of here'.

A house further away caught fire. We heard an explosion. Something's flying again. We shut everything down and jumped in the car.

Drones were flying around, so we could not drive away. We saw that there was fire on the motorway. We took a chance.

Ukrainians were hunting us. They saw that it was a civilian car. My husband said, 'They probably spotted our car.' We drove it into the woods and hid under a tree. We hugged the tree and stood there without breathing and without moving. A drone circled around and around us and then flew away. Our neighbours left their car outside the house and left.

I said, 'Drive the car as fast as you can, squeeze all power from it, and we will only pray. He said, 'Watch drones. If you notice something, run in the corn or in a landing somewhere'. I said, 'We will be out in time. We drove past and saw, that there was a car on fire. We kept going and there was another car burning. There were probably six cars on fire.

We passed by that smoke and those cars, everything was on fire. Maybe people burned there too. We drove past as fast as we could and arrived in Bolshezoldatskoe village.

I couldn't get out of the car, I felt bad. I think my legs and arms were gone. On 22 August the Ukrainians hit Kozyryovka».





**Sergey Borisovich Bezruchko,  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)**

«On 5-6 August a heavy shelling started. I walked around the town in the morning: the building of the prosecutor's office was completely smashed, the hotel had no roof, neighbouring houses were badly hit, windows were shattered by shrapnel.

Ukrainian troops were shelling a peaceful city. They were pursuing their criminal goals. If the regular army wages war on civilians, this is terror. There is no other way to call it.

On 7 August we woke up in the morning. I heard a gun battle, a heavy machine gun was firing hard. At that time there was no communication and it was impossible to find out what was going on. There was no electricity or Internet. I concluded that I had to get out of the city on my own. Together with my mother we collected two packages of documents and went to the exit from the city. A car picked us up and drove us at high speed to Bolshezhodatsky. At that moment there were cars already on the road, burnt by Ukrainian drone strikes. They were civilian cars. I did not see any military vehicles hit. We drove at a very high speed, it was raining, and clouds in the sky were very low. As far as I know drones do not fly much at this time, because Ukrainian soldiers they don't launch them. I guess that was probably what saved us.

And a week before that, a Ukrainian drone hit a car, a civilian one, parked outside a private house. I hid behind a tree. The drone flew up to the centre of the road and hit it. The car was completely smashed».



**Alla Fedorovna Levchenko (75 years old),  
resident of Zhuravli village  
(Kursk region)**

«We were sitting in a temporary house and suddenly everything was lit up. We fell on the floor. We got up from the floor and Volodya was already covered in blood. He got four wounds.

A small splinter was pulled out, but a big one was not pulled out; his right arm was wounded, and there was a wound under the heart.

The gas boiler was broken, the gas cooker was completely broken, the pipe burst and the refrigerator was broken. Ukraine was shelling.

The neighbour Vasya came in. Their windows were broken; the bathhouse was all battered, everything was shelled and the dog was killed.

One woman told me that Ukrainians drove and shot straight at the fences, wherever there were civilians. Such shells flew right through the houses. They drove and shot».





**Artem Aleksandrovich Kuznetsov,**  
resident of Sudzha  
(Kursk region)

«On 6 August 2024 at 15:30 shelling of our town Sudzha began. The shelling was at the city, exactly on ordinary houses, not on the military. The sanitary epidemiological station was completely demolished. The Ukrainian fighters did not care where they fired.

We left the town in two cars. When driving out I saw Ukrainian soldiers. When driving out on the side of the road I saw a UAF soldier. He opened fire from his machine gun at my car. Seventy metres away they started shelling. I felt as if my car was being pelted with stones. At first, I did not understand at all what was going on. A bullet flew into the interior of my car. I turned my head and I saw a soldier looking at me. He looked at me and I looked at him. He wore glasses, a balaclava, a blue stripe on the helmet made by a duct tape. I saw his machine gun. We looked at each other and he shot me in my cap. He simply aimed at me on purpose. A few more bullets hit the car, but I managed to drive away. I was lucky.

And my pregnant wife was driving behind me, about seventy metres away. I waved at her from my car window: hurry up, hurry up. Then I heard that she was being shot at. I drove through and stopped to make sure that she was driving. I saw her car drive out from behind the corner. My mother-in-law sat on the back seat with a child, Matvey, in her arms. She shouted, 'Nina, Nina, Matvey is wounded.'

And Nina was already unconscious. She crashed into my car. Matvey is one year and nine months old. He has metal shrapnel in his back, one deep splinter in his shoulder. And one shrapnel in his bottom, a little short of a kidney. The wounds are serious.

I know a story about a guy three houses down from where we lived in Kurilovka. He lived three houses down from where we lived. They just took him into the house and shot him dead there. His mum buried him in the yard of her house.

I met a guy who drove out around five o'clock in the evening. Right at the exit, where there was a bypass road from the city behind the roadblock, a UAF soldier pulled out a gun and started shooting. They shot at the cars and people. That man managed to escape. There were a lot of abandoned cars. It meant that the people were killed. They did not let peaceful, ordinary people leave. I don't know what kind of troops they have in Ukraine. They just came in to clear the city from the people, to kill everybody.

A woman at the train station was trying to get into her car to leave. She was blown up by a Ukrainian drone. Her legs were torn off, she was lying there screaming, and no one could approach her. She stayed there.

Let all of Russia know that the Ukrainian armed forces tried to kill all of us, ordinary Russian people. I think this is just Nazism, genocide. I still can't get it into my head. I'll tell you honestly, I saw someone who came to kill. They came to exterminate the Russian people, just kill people».