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"FORCED DISPLACEMENT OF UKRAINIAN PRISONERS: HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE"

Case Study: Legal Aid for Ukrainian Citizens Released After Illegal Transfer



Background: The Problem

- ✓ In November 2022, approximately 2,500 Ukrainian prisoners were illegally transferred from Colony No. 7 (Kherson region) to Russian penal institutions.
- ✓ Prisoners were denied access to treatment, including for HIV and tuberculosis.
- ✓ After completing their sentences, they were placed in migration detention centers in Russia with no legal grounds for deportation, due to the war and absence of diplomatic channels.

Intervention & Support Actions

- ✓ International human rights response coordinated by UnMode
- ✓ Legal aid, case documentation, and post-release accompaniment
- ✓ Evacuation through "third countries" (e.g., Georgia, Moldova)
- ✓ Underground delivery of antiretroviral therapy (ART) from Ukraine to Georgia, as access to treatment was unavailable for newly arrived individuals without status
- ✓ People waited up to 30 days for legal status, during which no medical services were accessible

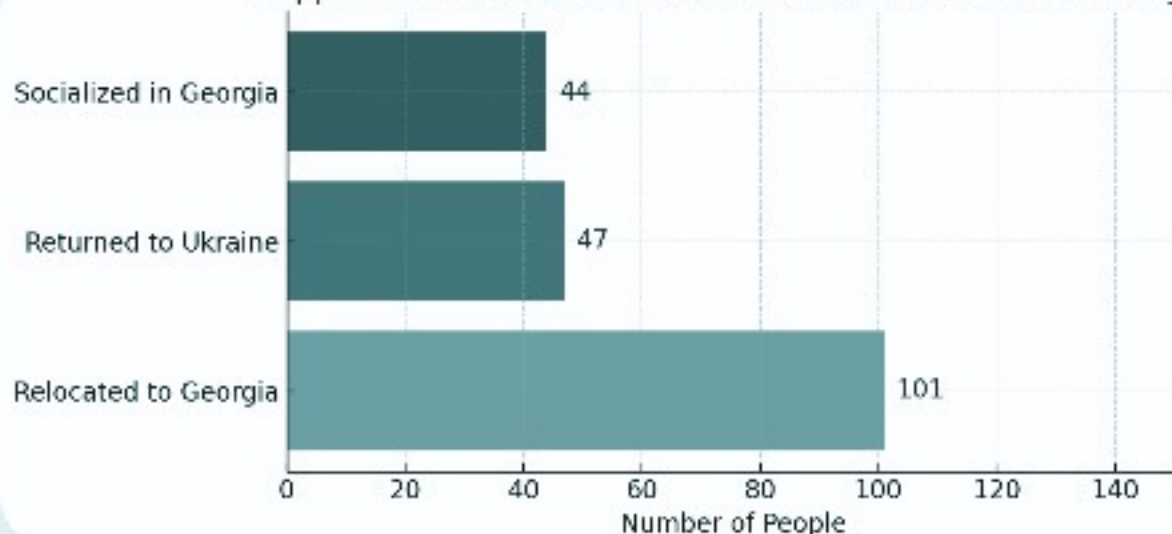


KEY RESULTS

Documented Outcomes

- 👥 432 total beneficiaries
- 👤 101 released from Russian prisons and relocated to Georgia
- ✈️ 47 returned safely to Ukraine
- 🇯🇵 44 successfully socialized in Georgia
- 🚩 Cross-border collaboration saved lives and upheld fundamental rights

Support Outcomes for Ukrainian Prisoners Relocated via Georgia



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