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Remembering the Holodomor of 1932–33 – The Genocide of Ukrainians Continues

Commemoration Event

The Ukrainian community in Malvern will hold a Holodomor Commemoration on 23.11.2025 at 12:30 p.m at

2nd Malvern Scout Hut, Spring Ln, Malvern, WR14 1AJ https://maps.app.goo.gl/z7ug2P8bA6ZJKwa66

This annual act of remembrance brings together Ukrainians and friends of Ukraine to honour the memory of the millions of innocent men, women, and children deliberately starved to death in 1932–33 under Stalin's Soviet regime. It is also a solemn reminder of the ongoing struggle of the Ukrainian nation against tyranny and attempts to destroy its identity, culture, and independence.

Background

The Holodomor – meaning "death by hunger" – was a man-made famine that decimated Ukraine between 1932 and 1933. Orchestrated by the Soviet authorities under Joseph Stalin, it was designed to break the spirit of Ukraine's rural population and eradicate resistance to collectivisation.

Once known as Europe's breadbasket, Ukraine was transformed into a graveyard. Entire villages were wiped out. Millions perished. The borders of Soviet Ukraine were sealed to prevent escape, and grain and food were seized even as people starved.

For decades, the truth about the Holodomor was denied or silenced. Today, thanks to uncovered archives and first-hand testimonies, the intent is undeniable: **Stalin and the Kremlin deliberately targeted Ukrainians, knowing that millions would die.**

At the time, British journalists Gareth Jones and Malcolm Muggeridge courageously reported the famine, exposing the reality that many governments preferred to ignore. Declassified British Foreign Office files confirm that the UK was aware of the famine's scale and man-made nature but chose silence for political convenience.

Recognition and Justice

Article II of the UN Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (1948) defines genocide as acts committed with the intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnic, racial, or religious group — including the deliberate infliction of conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction.

By this definition, the Holodomor was **genocide**.

It has been formally recognised as such by Ukraine, the United States, Canada, Australia, Poland, and many other nations — including the UK's House of Commons. The Ukrainian community continues to call on the UK Government to join them in officially recognising the Holodomor as the genocide it was.

Why We Remember

The millions of innocent victims of the Holodomor were murdered simply for being Ukrainian. Their story must be remembered — not only as a tragedy of the past but as a warning for the present.

By commemorating the Holodomor, we honour their memory and stand firm in defence of truth, justice, and the enduring spirit of the Ukrainian people.

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