

La Abogacía crea comité de expertos para analizar pruebas de crímenes de guerra en Ucrania

La Abogacía Española ha creado un comité de expertos para analizar la información que reciba en el marco de su mecanismo de análisis y remisión a la Corte Penal Internacional de pruebas de crímenes de guerra en Ucrania.

El 25 de marzo se dio a conocer este Mecanismo, creado para recoger, en las entrevistas mantenidas por abogados con refugiados ucranianos en España, testimonios de actuaciones armadas del ejército ruso contra civiles ucranianos, que podrían ser constitutivas de crímenes de guerra. El objetivo es facilitar la persecución penal de los crímenes cometidos por el ejército ruso en su ataque a Ucrania. El Fiscal de la Corte Penal Internacional (CPI), Karim Khan, ha abierto ya una investigación por crímenes de guerra y de lesa humanidad en Ucrania. Y dicha Corte ha desarrollado un portal para que los particulares puedan enviar sus denuncias.

A través del Comité que ha constituido la Abogacía Española se valorará la solidez y la pertinencia de los testimonios y pruebas que se reciban, recogidos en las entrevistas que mantienen los abogados con refugiados, para su remisión posterior a la Fiscalía de la CPI. Este Comité estará dirigido por Blas Jesús Imbroda e inicialmente estará compuesto por el juez José María Asencio, el catedrático Jaume Ferrer y el abogado David Querol, expertos en derecho internacional y justicia penal internacional, que contarán, además, con el apoyo técnico de la Fundación Abogacía Española.

Created a Committee for the analysis of war crimes in Ukraine

The Spanish National Bar set up a Committee of experts that will evaluate information and documents within the framework of its “Mechanism of Analysis and referral to the International Criminal Court of evidence of war crimes in Ukraine”. This Mechanism’s aim is to obtain testimonies of allegedly illegal actions of the Russian Army against Ukrainian civilians. Last March 25, the president of the Immigration and International Protection Subcommittee of the Spanish National Bar, Mr. Blas Imbroda, announced before the plenary body of this institution the constitution of the Mechanism. The methodology proposed is based on facilitating the prosecution of atrocious crimes. through testimonies collected in legal aid counselling services to Ukrainians fled from the war who currently find themselves in Spanish territory.

During Putin’s invasion of Ukraine and the siege of some cities, a variety of sources and media, denounced and broadcasted attacks by the Russian Army on the population and on civilian goods, events that could amount to war crimes.

Moreover, the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, Karim Khan, declared to be competent to investigate facts that may fall within the framework of war crimes, genocide and crimes against humanity. Hence, the Court developed a portal for individual complaints of facts that may constitute these range of crimes.

Through the Committee the Spanish Lawyers representative institution just now set up, the solidity and relevance of the testimonies and evidences received by the Mechanism will be assessed as complementary materials

to those investigations that the International Criminal Court, through its Prosecutor's Office, could undertake.

This Committee will be chaired by Mr. Blas Imbroda and will initially be made up of the judge José María Asencio, the professor Jaume Ferrer and the lawyer David Querol, experts in international law and international criminal justice, who will also count on the technical support of the Spanish National Bar Foundation for human rights.