



# IVAN KAMINSKY, *15 years old*

Bucha city,  
Kyiv region

City green corridor "from the city. Gone into complete obscurity. Friends took refuge for a week in Ukraine, and then it was decided to move on. Stopped at a stranger in Poland.

"In April, I rode almost 300 kilometers on a bicycle!" - Shares the good news, Ivan. In Poland, he received a bicycle for temporary use. Overcoming it kilometer by kilometer in the morning and evening, the guy is not so homesick for his family, left at home. Ivan collected money for that bicycle himself, undertaking any work, but he did not have time to ride it. He did not have time to enjoy the computer, for which he also raised funds on his own for several years. He did not need a computer for games, but for learning. This year, Ivan planned to start studying computer technology at the

college. If not for the war...

Despite the fact that we are now safe, the future has not yet become clear. My mother lost her income. The enterprise where my father worked also burned down.

"When I ride my bike through the quiet streets, I feel like I'm in my hometown. Bucha before the war was beautiful and cozy. I dream of going back there. My dream, as before, is to be in a city park and know that I will not explode on a mine, which so many Russians have left behind. My dream is to study to help my hometown become even better than it once was," says Ivan.

## *For reference*

*The Kaminsky family was evacuated from Bucha, Kyiv region, on March 13. Ivan's mother is Yulia Berezhko-Kaminska, 39, a Ukrainian writer and journalist. My father, Volodymyr Kaminsky, 55, has an incurable chronic disease that has worsened after a stay in the occupied Bucha due to stress and further undermined his health, making it impossible for him to fully function.*

