

British Man Imprisoned for Fighting with Separatists in Ukraine **World**

Posted by:

Posted on : 2017/7/17 12:41:03

Detective Chief Superintendent Russ Jackson said Benjamin Stimson [pictured] went to Ukraine “with the intention of joining militia groups fighting against the Ukrainian government, and the images of him holding a rifle and wearing military clothing are deeply concerning.”

From RFE/RL, July 14, 2017 A British man was sentenced to prison after a court in Britain ruled he illegally entered eastern Ukraine in 2015 to fight alongside Russia-backed separatists against the central government. Benjamin Stimson was sentenced on July 14 to five years and four months in prison by the Manchester Crown Court after pleading guilty to a charge of assisting others in committing terrorism, officials said. Various reports put his age at 41-43 years old. Police say Stimson traveled to Moscow in August 2015 before illegally entering eastern Ukraine to fight alongside separatists against Ukrainian forces. [⋮] <https://www.rferl.org/a/brit-sentenced ... separatists/28617045.html>