



CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

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Tomos for Ukraine is another act of declaring independence Ukraine lodges ECHR lawsuit against Russia over captive sailors

Poroshenko: [Tomos for Ukraine is another act of declaring independence.](#)

Orthodox [Service in Kyiv celebrates Ukrainian Church's independence.](#)

[Ukrainian Orthodox Church head says Russian Orthodox Church will remain in Ukraine](#) as many want it and he's not against that.

[Regional churches transfer to Ukrainian Orthodox Church.](#) More than two dozen churches have already transferred to the local Ukrainian Orthodox Church. You may be wondering - what is the

process for communities hoping to join the new structure?

[Ukraine lodges lawsuit against Russia with ECHR over captive Ukrainian sailors.](#) All 24 Ukrainian sailors captured by Russia declared themselves to be prisoners of war.

[Belarus already under Russian troll attack](#) designed to give Moscow a base for further aggression.

Hundreds of [German politicians hacked](#), excluding those from far-right AfD.

Left: [Decree on independence handed over](#) to new Orthodox Church In Ukraine.

Right: [Top absurd Russian fakes](#): what didn't happen in 2018

TOP ABSURD FAKES:

- EU legalised **paedophilia**
- **Necrophilia** accepted in Sweden, Germany and Denmark
- Sweden forces kids to **pray to Allah**
- **Hitler** declared 'national hero' in Ukraine
- A **concentration camp** for refugees to appear in Poland
- West conspired against Russia at **Eurovision**

The traps of populism

PUkraine's Eurointegration drags feet without EU membership

Bartholomew's [tomos of contention and state security of Ukraine](#) (Part 1).Informnapalm

[Are the Uniates about to make common cause](#) with newly autocephalous Ukrainian Orthodox?

[Ukraine's Eurointegration drags feet](#) without EU membership perspectives.

[2019 will be 'a year without Crimea' for Putin](#), Portnikov says.

Because of Putin, [2019 will be a repeat of 1939](#), Muzhdabayev says.

[The traps of populism.](#) Apart from the desire for power, what drives presidential candidates to play with voters and how dangerous is this for Ukraine?

Personal memoir: My family in the [Polish-Ukrainian borderlands killing zone](#).

Ukraine prepared for full-scale war, says military expert

Financial, medical, and psychological assistance via a mobile app

Jan 7. [Militants launched five attacks](#) on Ukrainian troops in Donbas in last day.

Ukraine's representative to UN explains [why Russia blocks peacekeeping mission in Donbas](#).

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[USS Fort McHenry](#) en route to the Black Sea.

Ex-ambassador says [U.S. will give Ukraine more arms in 2-3 months](#).

A very special December. The institution of [martial law could potentially have two kinds of impact](#): political and everyday. The question is, will it?

Ukraine's Defense Ministry warns: [Russia may stage act of terrorism to blame Ukraine](#).

[New military unit of the Russian Armed Forces near the borders](#) of Ukraine and Belarus (intelligence data).

Ukraine pays almost [US\\$3,600 to each family of 24 Ukrainian sailors](#) captured by Russia

[Financial, medical, and psychological assistance via a mobile app](#). Ukraine's Ministry for Veterans Affairs will become more accessible

<p>Left: 1001 pro-Kremlin disinformation messages: Ukraine remains top target.</p> <p>Right: Ukrainians in Australia write Christmas greetings to Ukrainian political prisoners.</p>	PRO-KREMLIN DISINFORMATION TARGETING:		
	461 CASES	UKRAINE - a Nazi state	
	260 CASES	US - organises colour revolutions and WW3	
	175 CASES	EU - a dying Russophobic union	
	160 CASES	UK - poisoned the Skripals	

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Russia has been taking Ukrainians hostage since 2014. Now [they've seized an American](#).

Some [37 people arrested for political reasons in occupied Crimea](#) in 2018.

[Unending solitary confinement for Ukrainian hostage Vyhivsky](#) seized in Crimea, tortured in Russia.

Crimean Tatar [activist who took aid to Ukrainian POWs viciously attacked](#), told this is his "last warning".

Crimean Tatars see [Budapest Memorandum as key to recovery](#) of their homeland.

Yelchenko: [Number of Russian troops in Crimea now greater than in Soviet times](#).

Russia '[decriminalizes](#)' [pro-Ukraine social media reposts](#) in occupied Crimea. But only the first.

The so-called "[Ministry of Internal Affairs](#)" of [Crimea registered three new people's squads](#), which allegedly would protect public order on the peninsula.

Ukraine-EU trade up 40 percent in three years Ukrainian presidential campaign has officially kicked off

[Ukraine-EU trade up 40 percent](#) in three years. Much of the increase in trade could be attributed to a free trade deal between Ukraine and the EU.

[Education reform in Ukraine](#). School students will study for 12 years instead of 11 and there will be a new focus on applied skills over memorization.

International experts initiate [veto on eight candidates for Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Court](#).

[Ukraine best performing stock market in 2018](#).

Ukraine's economy-[2019: Slower growth with lower inflation](#).

Ukraine almost [triples pace of installing renewable energy facilities](#) in 2018, to 740 MW.

Three months before votes are due to be cast, the [Ukrainian presidential campaign has officially kicked off](#).

[Income declaration campaign begins in Ukraine](#).

[Nobody believes Ukrainian environmental activist's death was suicide](#), so why was the investigation terminated?

[Moscow Patriarchate built 16 buildings in Kyiv-Pechersk Reserve that allows Ukraine to terminate lease](#) — reserve's ex-director Krolevets.

[Ukrainian airline industry keeps booming](#) as new flights of low-costers opened in 2018.



Economic impact of IT Industry in Lviv reached \$1 billion Impact of the law on language on online shopping

Economic [impact of IT Industry in Lviv reached \\$1 billion](#) – IT Cluster research.

What is the [impact of the law on language on online shopping](#), software development and web sites.



Left: [Russia's cap of the Monomakh](#) came not from [Constantinople](#) but from [Khan Uzbek](#), Tashkent historian says.
Centre, Right: [Königsau](#): Galicia's Pentagon-shaped German colony

Workshop on DIY Wreaths in Lviv

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[Workshop on DIY Wreaths](#) in Lviv. For Ukrainians, Christmas wreaths on house doors have always been a sign of welcome for the guests. In Lviv, residents and guests had an opportunity to join a workshop on DIY wreaths.

Historical [game about Ukrainian Insurgent Army](#).

Ukrainian [heroes immortalized in fresco in a military chapel near Askold's Grave in Kyiv](#). Among those displayed in the new fresco are

warriors of Kyivan Rus, soldiers of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army, as well as those who died during the Euromaidan Revolution and the war in Donbas

[Jellyfish museum opened in Kyiv](#). The aquarium boasts jellyfish varieties from around the world.

[Usyk recognized as BoxingScene's 2018](#) fighter of the year.



Left, centre: The [Didukh](#) is an important Ukrainian Christmas decoration brought into the home before [Svyat Vechir](#) (Christmas Eve).

Right: Making [Christmas Spiders](#).

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