



# CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

## EuroMaidan Newsletter # 284

### PACE push to lift sanctions on Russia strongly opposed

US Senators submit sanctions bill targeting Russian gas pipeline

U.S. Senators submit [bill with sanctions targeting Russian gas pipeline](#).

“You can’t bow down to the offender” –

Memorial’s Gannushkina on PACE’s push to lift Russia sanctions.

PACE resolution to [lift sanctions on Russia](#) “strategic defeat for human rights defenders” – Professor of European law.

Ukrainian Foreign Ministry: [Council of Europe Commissioner’s visit to Crimea is Russia’s attempt to barter place in PACE](#).

Council of Europe’s [reinstated Russian delegation would likely include illegal ‘deputies’](#) from occupied Crimea.

[Germany strengthens Russia’s insolence](#) with new economic agreement.

[Russia’s hybrid expansionism in the Arctic](#). How are the Arctic Ocean, the Black and the Azov Seas interrelated in Russia’s strategic military thinking?

How [Russian state channels portray the West](#).

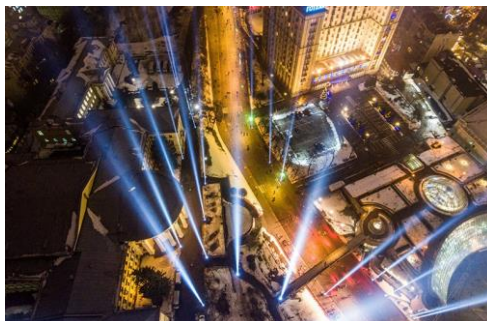
[Disinformation and censorship](#): two sides of the same Russian coin.

[Pro-Kremlin media "spread false claims that EU has Nazi roots"](#): EU Commissioner

[Belgian officer fired due to connections to Russian oligarch](#). The officer had access to secret documents.

[StopFakeNews #239](#) with Marko Suprun. Fake: Kyiv admits shelling Donbas civilian areas. Netherlands hold Ukraine responsible for the Malaysian Airlines MH17 crash. Russia’s obsession with Ukraine.

Left: Serhiy Kvit: Ukraine in the [struggle for independence in the age of post-truth](#)  
Right: [Ukraine doesn’t have a War Party, only one of Resistance and another of Capitulation](#), Piontkovsky says



### Ihor Kolomoiskyi and the last battle of Ukrainian oligarchs

Gas conflict between Cabinet and Naftogaz

What Ihor [Kolomoiskyi hopes for in the last battle of Ukrainian oligarchs](#).

Gordon Ramsay: “It could take [years to establish the effect of media literacy programs](#)”.

[Gas conflict between Cabinet and Naftogaz](#): Will Ukrainians have heat in their homes this winter?

Paul Goble: [Ten reasons why we must remain anti-communists](#).

## Are the new Minsk talks guiding Ukraine to capitulation?

### Russia begins handing out passports to Ukrainians from conflict zone

Jun.17. [Russian lead forces launch 30 attacks](#) in Donbas over past day. Weapons banned by the Minsk agreements were used twice.

Jun.14. [Shelling of Marinka in Donbas](#): four injured, including a child.

[More than half of Ukrainians believe Russia can pose real threat](#) to Ukraine's independence and territorial integrity – poll.

[Ukrainian troops get close to Donetsk](#) – JFO HQ.

[Three more members of Russia-led forces eliminated](#) by Ukrainian army in Donbas.

Ukraine slams [Russia's 'complete disrespect' for international Maritime Law](#).

Ukraine, United States discuss [security cooperation and increasing pressure on Russia](#).

JFO commander [shows US delegation evidence of Russian aggression](#) in Donbas.

More than [3 thousand civilians killed over the 5](#)

[years](#) of conflict in Eastern Ukraine – UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission.

[Russia has illegally stopped already 150 vessels](#) on way to Ukrainian ports.

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Zelenskiy visits [Mariupol as city celebrates fifth anniversary of 'liberation'](#).

[United States donates medical equipment for military](#) and children's hospitals in Ukraine. Photos

[Russia begins handing out passports to Ukrainians](#) from conflict zone.

[Russian-backed militants spread misinformation](#) about Ukrainian army to discredit Ukrainian soldiers.

'It's time to pay': Ukraine [detains Donetsk separatist referendum organizer](#).

Nearly one third of [Russians would like Russia to annex Ukrainian Donbas](#).

Left: More than [500 torture cases documented by UN](#) in Ukraine conflict

Right: [Openly illegal prosecution for a Facebook repost](#) of another Crimean Tatar woman activist



## Russia arrests, terrorizes entire Crimean Tatar families

### Gravely ill political prisoner speaks out for other victims

[Imprisoned journalists in occupied Crimea and Russia](#) that Ivan Golunov's defenders never noticed.

[Russia arrests & terrorizes entire Crimean Tatar families a day after denying](#) persecution at International Court.

“[Will they arrest children next?](#)” Gravely ill political prisoner speaks out for other victims; Amnesty International for him.

[Freedom House calls occupied Crimea not free territory](#).

[Eight Crimean Tatars jailed on extremism charges](#).

CTRC: [35 Crimean Tatars arrested](#) for religious belief since start of 2019.

[Russian school children interrogated by FSB](#) for writing truthful history essays about Soviet past.

## Constitutional Court to hear parliament dissolution case

### “Security. Women. Peace.” Program launched in Ukraine

Week's balance: Ukraine issues bonds worth EUR 1 billion, inflation shows rise, while Constitutional Court alters status of energy regulator.

Dissolution of Parliament: Constitutional Court to continue case hearing on June 18.

Brussels to drop criticism of Ukraine's controversial education law.

Will Ukraine ever get a new Election Code to improve lackluster politics? Society doesn't give up.

Fresh ranking list of political parties.

PM Groyzman: Decentralization entering second stage, the process is irreversible.

Ukraine's implementation of the Association Agreement with the European Union has had a positive impact on small and medium-sized businesses.

Debt pressure: borrowing again to pay back previous "loans".

“Security. Women. Peace.” Program launched in Ukraine. Several high-ranking women in

government made the announcement at a press conference.

Zelensky removes top official who opposed illegal appointment of Bohdan as Head of Presidential Administration.

Zelenskyi appoints acting heads of 12 regional state administrations.

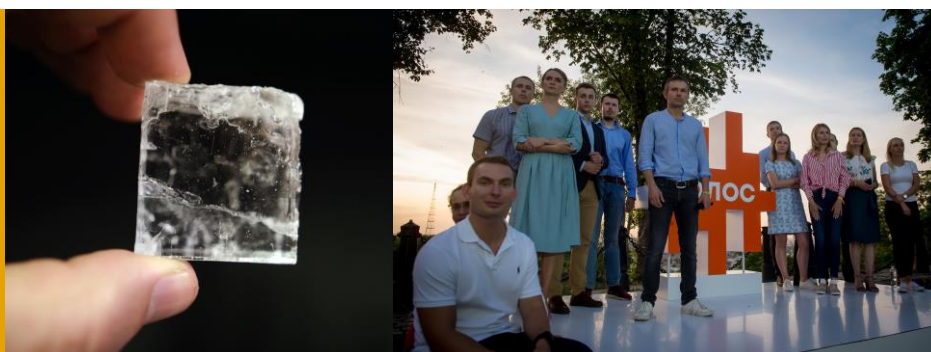
President Zelensky has appointed Vladyslav Bukharev head of the Foreign Intelligence Service.

A decade ago, a Kolomoisky-controlled company, Optima Ventures, became the largest real estate owner in Cleveland.

UN mission says investigation into Maidan killings protracted and ineffective.

Director general of ZIK Channel, and a number of journalists are resigning from the channel after the news about the acquisition of the channel by people's deputy of Ukraine Taras Kozak (the Opposition Bloc faction).

Left: Salt of the Earth: Inside Ukraine's Artyomsol Mine. In eastern Ukraine, a massive salt-mining operation is hoping to crack Western markets after Russia blocked its imports. Right: How many changemakers will Ukraine's future parliament have?



## New projects of ‘Agents of Change’ school in Kyiv

### From war veteran to chef: the inspiring story of Bohdan Matsiura

Ukraine increases sugar exports by 30% in May.

New projects of ‘Agents of Change’ school in Kyiv.

Finnish fund backs Ukrainian business analytics service.

From war veteran to chef. Bohdan Matsiura came back from the frontlines haunted by traumatic memories and faced with the dilemma of what to

do next. He decided to do what he always loved - cooking. Now he owns a cafe in Lviv, where he treats his customers to dishes of his own creation.

Ukrainian wooden maps raise \$0.5M on Kickstarter which is 100 times the original goal.

EA introduces FIFA 20 game preview. Ukrainians filmed it at the unfinished Darnytsia railway station.



Left: [#KyivNotKiev: U.S. to change international database spelling of Ukraine's capital](#)  
Right: [Lontskoho prison in Lviv: Ukraine's museum of soviet horror.](#)



## Reality, fiction of HBO series fueling Chornobyl tourism

### Jazz Kolo in Ukraine's cultural space

[Jazz Kolo in Ukraine's cultural space.](#) What unites different generations of Ukrainian jazz musicians.

[miniseries](#), according to eyewitnesses.

An [interview with Ukrainian Postmodern Studio that helped create 'Chernobyl'](#) and a Chinese blockbuster.

[HBO series fuels Chornobyl tourism boom.](#)

[Chornobyl: Reality and fiction in the popular](#)

Left: [Unique fotos of Paraska Horvtsvit](#) show authentic Hutsul life (Ukr, fotos)  
Right: ['Galician Parade' food festival](#) being held in Ternopil.



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