



# CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

## EuroMaidan Newsletter # 294

### 35 political prisoners and POWs returned to Ukraine

#### EU ambassadors extend Russia sanctions

Jubilant scenes as [Ukraine, Russia complete prisoner swap](#).

The great exchange: [which 35 Ukrainian political prisoners have returned](#) home?

The great exchange: [whom did Ukraine send](#) to Russia?

Oleg Sentsov gave the first comment after exchange: "[The struggle does not end even with the release of the last prisoner](#)".

Ukrainian court [releases alleged MH17 accomplice Tsemakh on recognizance](#).

Dutch residents express [disappointment in Tsemakh exchange](#).

[MH17 suspect release incriminates Russia, but](#) leaves Ukraine compromised.

[Story of the captured 24](#) Ukrainian sailors.

U.S. sends delegation to Ukraine [to prepare for winter energy shortage](#).

[UN Secretary-General to give report on Crimea](#) at General Assembly.

[EU Ambassadors extend Russia sanctions](#) over Ukraine.

[Russia accountable for 72% of foreign disinformation](#) operations: study.

[Russian nukes target the US: StopFakeNews with Marko Suprun \(#251\)](#). Fakes: Lithuania teaches war to Ukrainian children. Ukraine gave up the world's third largest nuclear arsenal because of American threats.

Left: [35 Ukrainian hostages of the Kremlin, including Oleg Sentsov, finally home](#). 86 still remain.

Right: 75th anniversary of [deportation of Ukrainians from Poland](#)



### How can Russia now deny responsibility for MH17 downing?

#### The goals of Zelenskyy and Putin in the "Big Exchange"

[How can Russia deny responsibility for MH17](#) when it gave up Sentsov, others to get key witness out of Ukraine?

After Ukraine-Russia prisoner swap, [can Zelenskiy capitalize on momentum](#)?

Portnikov: [the goals of Zelenskyy and Putin](#) for the "Big Exchange".

[The release of "DNR" fighter Tsemakh is Ukraine's gift to Putin](#), says Portnikov.

Putin's Internationale. [Why is the Kremlin financing right-wing political](#) ventures in Europe?

Fear and loathing in the banking sector. The [aftertaste of banking sector reform](#).

[Anti-Corruption Crusade](#) in Ukraine? The Ukrainian parliament approved a bill canceling immunity from prosecution for MPs.

## First interviews with former POW, political prisoners Ukrainian officer reveals enemy death toll in Donbas over August

Ukrainian soldier wounded amid [nine enemy attacks in Donbas on Sept 8](#).

Without a shot: Ukrainian [soldiers took control of positions near Horlivka](#).

Ukrainian officer [reveals enemy death toll in Donbas over August](#) (Photo). The officer reiterated the Russian occupation forces ignored the Minsk agreements in August.

[How the Security Service of Ukraine \(SBU\) has seized a terrorist Tsemakh](#) implicated in bringing down flight MH17, and transported him out from the Russia-occupied territory.

The release of Tsemakh and [Putin's statement of "large-scale POW exchange" pose danger for Ukraine](#).

[Spying for Ukraine in Donbas](#). When Russian-backed militants occupied Donbas, she chose to serve Ukraine. Risking her life she transferred

crucial data to Ukrainian intelligence services under the nose of Russian.

['I wanted to apologize': A Russian kneels in contrition to Ukrainians](#).

[Russia brings tanks, weapons and its very own censorship](#) to occupied Luhansk.

InformNapalm presented their [methodology for comparisons between reports by the OSCE and the JFO](#).

Former POW [sailor Andriy Eyder wounded in Kerch Strait incident](#): "There were a few seconds when life was supposed to flash before my eyes. Shells were flying. Tracers in the air and their reflection – on sea surface".

Left: First interview with released Kremlin prisoner Pavlo [Hrvb: "In Lefortovo, I was held in a single cell. They would not put Ukrainians together"](#).

Right: [No 'normalization' while Russia is still holding at least 87 Crimean Tatar and other Ukrainian political prisoners](#).



## Expert explains why Crimean Bridge may collapse EU, US, Ukraine refuse to recognize Russian elections in Crimea

[Facts about Crimea's annexation now taboo in Russia](#).

Ukrainian [MFA condemns illegal elections in Crimea](#). Russia is holding local elections on September 8, 2019, including in illegally occupied Crimea in violation of Ukrainian law.

[EU does not recognize Russian 'elections' in occupied Crimea](#).

[U.S. will not recognize 'voting' outcome in Russia-occupied Crimea](#).

[Kerch Strait Bridge sags increasingly, environmental problems inevitable](#).

Expert explains [why Crimean Bridge may collapse](#).

Crimean Tatar [family struggles to cope with father's detention](#).

Russia sentences [activist who defended Ukraine and Kremlin hostages to 4 years for peaceful protest](#).

## Ukraine's new Cabinet High Anti-Corruption Courts starts work

[Ukraine's new Cabinet](#): new faces, merged ministries, and the immortal Avakov.

Cabinet [dismissed great number of deputy ministers](#), including Suprun.

[Ze-Economy](#): Priorities and deadlines.

[High Anti-Corruption Court starts work](#) in Ukraine: how will it operate?

[Judicial reform 2.0](#): Zelenskyy comes with initiatives only partly supported by society.

Parliament approved [bill eliminating Parliamentary immunity](#).

Legislative flurry in Ukraine leaves [MPs' immunity 'cancelled' yet still intact](#).

Government backs [Klitschko's dismissal as head of Kyiv city administration](#).

iMoRe: [Quarterly review, quarter II](#), 2019. The pace of reforms has been slow for the fifth quarter in a row.

Chinese investments or expansion – all the facts behind [sale of top Ukrainian aircraft company Motor Sich](#).

The bright and dark [sides of the Ukrainian Autocephalous Church](#).

## Marketing technologies market in Ukraine Ukraine's IT industry generated \$4.5 billion in revenue

[Marketing technologies market](#) in Ukraine: \$130M in investments and 160 companies.

Report: Ukraine's [IT industry generated \\$4.5 billion in revenue](#) in 2018.

[Ukraine exports \\$1.87 bln worth of wheat](#) in eight months.

[Syngenta agricultural company acquires](#)

Ukrainian IT firm Cropio.

Nearly [4,800 new electric cars registered](#) in Ukraine in past 8 months.

Ukrainian [Setapp from MacPaw receives the SaaS Award](#) the second year in a row.

[Svitolina returns to third place in WTA ranking](#)



## Old catacombs found under Vinnytsia streets

### Ukrainian composer wants to discover his “own unique style”

[Kyivan Rus was a wealthy and powerful civilization that dominated Eastern Europe a thousand years ago.](#) The heart of this civilization was Kyiv, the ancient capital. However, Moscow often tries to claim this heritage for itself.

Myroslav [Skoryk: “I wanted to discover my own unique style.](#) I guess it is a natural thing to do for

a composer”.

The only thing new in the world: [Galician slaughter 1846.](#)

Old [catacombs found under Vinnytsia](#) streets

Left: [Five historic castles to visit in Ukraine](#)  
Right: [Old catacombs found under Vinnytsia streets](#)



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