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Zelensky's first Normandy and the illusion of progress 7,000 pro-Kremlin disinformation cases

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Paris summit of the Normandy Four: [Ukraine's tactical wins](#).

UN General Assembly [adopted resolution on militarization of Crimea](#) by Russia.

[EU extends sanctions against Russia](#) for role in Ukraine conflict.

Ukraine welcomes, Germany rejects [expected U.S. sanctions on Nord Stream](#).

[Lavrov: US Sanctions will not](#) stop Russian pipelines.

[Switzerland freezes assets of Yanukovich](#) and his entourage for another year.

EU vs Disinfo [registered 7,000 pro-Kremlin disinformation cases](#), 40% of them target Ukraine.

[A catalog of the Kremlin's worst fears](#): This week's Disinfo Review.

[Television crew of Russia's propagandist channel](#) on visit to Kyiv.

[StopFakeNews](#) with Marko Suprun (No. 265). Ukrainians are anti-Semitic, American natural gas in Ukraine is a public relations stunt and western experts are organizing a tribunal against Ukraine.

"Apple – empowering dictatorships".
[Video ad](#) in response to Apple marking Crimea as Russian



Putin is preparing a new trap for Zelensky How Russian FSB plans to destabilize Ukraine

[Outcomes of Normandy Four Summit](#): Interview. Dr. Maksym Yakovlyev, Director of the School for Policy at Kyiv-Mohyla Academy.

Vitaly Portnikov: [Putin is preparing a new trap for Zelensky](#).

The [language issue, high-profile killings, social cleavages](#): ex-SBU general on how Russian FSB plans to destabilize Ukraine.

Who conducts [lawfare against Ukraine, and why?](#)

Break out of the vicious circle. [How international trade relates to economic lag and poverty](#) in Ukraine.

Soviet-era legacy: An [issue in Ukrainian Criminal Code exploited to blackmail prisoners](#).

Russia-led forces do not let OSCE SMM into ORDLO Personal and professional progress in Ukrainian army

Dec.16. [Seven attacks against JFO positions](#) yesterday: two Ukrainian soldiers wounded.

[Russian controlled forces have lost 44 fighters](#) in a period of December 1-15, 2019.

[Russia-led forces do not let OSCE SMM](#) into ORDLO territory - Ukrainian JCCC.

[Kremlin says changes to Minsk agreements should be worked out with "experts"](#) from occupied Donbas. [Kyiv against](#) Donbas self-proclaimed republics joining 'Normandy format'.

[Putin claims Russia sends death and destruction](#) to Ukraine to prevent a 'massacre'.

Ukrainian lawmakers [extend Donbas special status law until end of 2020](#).

Chubarov: [no mention of Crimean Tatar detainees in possible prisoner exchange](#).

US [Congress allocates \\$300 million](#) for Ukraine security assistance.

U.S. Navy [destroyer Ross enters Black Sea](#).

Military [Buggies for Ukrainian army](#). An innovative vehicle on the front line.

[Russian TV pulls plug on Ukrainian President's comedy](#) series one day after premiere.

Propagandists invent [cover-up for Russian army electronic warfare equipment](#) in eastern Ukraine.

Soldiers highlight [personal and professional progress in Ukrainian army](#). A depiction of challenges and expectations in the army of volunteers and soldiers.

'Now I'm a soldier': Ukrainian [filmmaker Sentsov registers for military service](#).

[Ukraine doing right](#) for its veterans.

Left: [Russian destroys Crimean culture heritage](#)
Right: Photos capture [elderly trapped on frontlines](#) in Ukraine-Russia fighting



Human rights situation in occupied Crimea continues to deteriorate Protest movement in Crimea has a female face

[Human rights situation in occupied Crimea continues to deteriorate](#) – EU report.

[Archbishop Klyment went on hunger strike in Kyiv](#). He holds picket outside Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

[“Protest movement in Crimea has a female face”](#) — Tasheva on violation of women's rights in occupied territories of Ukraine.

Russia brings [19-year sentences against religious ‘dissidents’](#) to occupied Crimea.

[Vedzhie Kashka died due to actions of Russian security forces](#) - Lawyer published results of independent examination.

[“Each of us is Crimean”](#) - [Ulyana Suprun](#) urged Ukrainians to support Crimean Tatars.

[In occupied Crimea submarine sank](#) with floating dock of Black Sea Fleet of the Russian Federation. Oil spill recorded in the area.

Russian student activist [Zhukov receives 3 year suspended sentence in politically motivated case](#).

Suspects in case of journalist Sheremet's murder detained

Vital questions remain unanswered

Week's balance: Ukraine reaches staff-level agreement on new IMF loan, NBU lowers its key rate, while inflation seen sliding at record pace.

Suspects in case of journalist Sheremet's murder finally detained and they shock Ukraine.

Vital questions remain unanswered after Donbas volunteers arrested for murder of journalist Pavel Sheremet.

Investigator in Sheremet case suddenly takes vacation – lawyer.

Ukraine facing reputational risks: Minister for Veterans Affairs on Sheremet murder case.

The unannounced war of a new Ukrainian ruling elite against military officers of the Armed Forces and patriots.

SBI opens case on possible treason by Poroshenko when signing Minsk accords.

iMoRe: quarterly review, quarter III, 2019. Calm before the storm?

Prosecutor chosen as Ukraine's new anti-corruption chief.

Ukraine achieves Staff Level Agreement with the IMF, but some more guarantees are reportedly required by the fund.

Huge purges start at Ukrainian customs agency.

Open letter from members of Ukraine's veteran organizations demanding removal of MP Korolevska from VR commission.

Death toll in Ukraine college fire rises as Director arrested.

Azerbaijan opposition blogger illegally deported from Ukraine in breach of ECHR ruling.

Who are the five suspects in the 2016 killing of Pavel Sheremet in Kyiv? One is a musician who got a shout-out on Facebook from then-President Petro Poroshenko two years ago. Another, a child surgeon who volunteered on the Maidan and in the Donbas and a volunteer.



Smart farm' that waters plants with water out of thin air

TechUkraine: A new hub for Ukraine's tech ecosystem

Ukrainian team works on 'smart farm' that waters plants with water out of thin air (video).

Project of Ukrainian Genesis raises \$21M. It's an African classifieds site Jiji.

TechUkraine: A new hub for Ukraine's tech ecosystem.

Ukrainian company Ajax releases new MotionCam device and large update for its OS.

Ukrainian startup BIOsens wins a \$100k grant at the exhibition in Dubai.

Mergers and acquisitions in Ukraine's IT outsourcing market.

BlaBlaCar completes acquisition of bus ticketing platform Busfor.

Now Ukrainians can invest up to €100k a year abroad.

Left: [Marta Pitchuk and her Motanka Art.](#)

Right: [Short film Anna about women on Donbass](#), co-produced by Ukraine, Israel and the UK, has been shortlisted in the BAFTA's British Short Film category.



Cultural items returned to Ukraine

St. Andrew's Day

[St. Andrew's Day in Podillia](#) celebrates with 19th-century roleplay.

[Cultural items returned to Ukraine](#) — along with their stories. More than 97 million items of cultural property were looted from Ukrainian territory in the past century, mostly during World War II. 150 thousand items have been returned.

Ukrainian [lions return to Africa](#). Five lions, who

grew up in Ukraine, were taken to a nature reserve in South Africa.

[Boxer Bohachuk wins by knockout for 17th time.](#) He wins by knockout against Colombian Carlos Galvan.

Yarmonov wins [Gold Medal at International Chess](#) Tournament.

[Fortunetelling on St. Andrew's Day.](#)

Young women and men gather in the early hours of Dec. 13 to find out who will marry them and when.



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