



CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

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Ukraine warns Putin to withdraw Russian troops.
And requests more active position from the west according to 1994 agreement

Russia has declared war on Ukraine. Federation council has agreed to send troops to the territory of Ukraine. 90 out of 90 PMs voted yes. More (Ukr, Eng): <http://goo.gl/pQkGzZ> ; <http://goo.gl/hYhD3p>

Address of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to the Guarantor States pursuant to the Memorandum on Security Assurances in connection with Ukraine's accession to the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. *In exchange for its nuclear disarmament (voluntary destruction of over 200 strategic nuclear warheads which Ukraine had inherited from the USSR, and accession to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons as a country that does not possess any nuclear weapons), Ukraine received security assurances in the Memorandum on Security Assurances in connection with Ukraine's accession to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (Budapest Memorandum) dated 1994.* More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/Zrbl3K>

Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk said today at a session of Ukraine's new Cabinet of Ministers that the presence of Russian troops in the Crimean peninsula violates the bilateral agreement governing Russia's naval base in Sevastopol. Yatsenyuk called on Russian President Vladimir Putin **"to immediately withdraw troops and not to provoke confrontation."** More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/SMAFeG>

"Putin has made it clear that for him the Eurasian Union is meaningless without Ukraine. But Russian intervention in Ukraine can rebound against itself." *Timothy Snyder.*

More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/Qohkfx>

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine thanks the EU Parliament for the prospective of EU membership and the support of financing initiatives, and thanks NATO for the support of the territorial integrity of Ukraine. More (Rus): <http://goo.gl/FFkVnu>

Ex. President of Georgia M.Saakashvili: "Putin will do in Ukraine what he has tested in Georgia... It is a crazy plan to loose on Ukraine, to try to increase the territory of Russia" More (video, Rus): <http://goo.gl/y9LCAh>

Ex Advisor to Putin A.Illarionov: "The main task of Putin's provocations is to provoke civil war in Ukraine... The most difficult task for all Ukrainians is to keep calm and not to be provoked..." More (Rus): <http://goo.gl/PyvjDQ>

On this night Russian troops took the military airport in Crimea and destroyed its equipment, making it inactive. More (Rus): <http://goo.gl/DKY2sO>

Petition to Russian President Vladimir Putin: 'We ethnic Russians and Russian speakers don't need protection'. More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/MukznE>

5 scenarios of development in Crimea by Forbes (Rus): <http://goo.gl/jqliFd>

Statement from Ukrainians to the leaders of International Organizations. More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/k5II7b>

Crimean parliament is controlled by armed people in Russian army uniforms of Russian. Tanks, airplanes, and naval fleet are on Crimean territory



Photo by Gregory Zhygalov, Pavel Myasnov
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New Government in turbulent times

Despite disputes and discussions started working

The new Cabinet of Ministers nominated Feb 27 is a mixture of professionals, politicians and Maidan activists. It has the enormously hard task of stabilizing the country, initiating reforms prior elections in May, and doing all of this in an environment in which Putin is destabilizing the situation in Crimea, Kharkiv, and other Eastern Ukrainian cities. More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/4ijmpn>

President Viktor Yanukovich has been overthrown, but it is not a victory for EuroMaidan. It is just an opportunity, and we have paid a high price for it. For this reason, we are obliged to finalize the work of the

people who died in the fight against the regime.

Firstly, the new authorities must prosecute former President Viktor Yanukovich and the allies who helped him injure and kill people in Kyiv and all over Ukraine.

Secondly, the new government must change the rules of the game. A new constitution with balanced powers for government branches, support for strong local communities, new mechanisms of political responsibility, and protection of rights and freedoms must ensure that Ukraine never returns to the past.

More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/NEQljM>



The Cost of Protest

Investigations still waiting

According to the Ministry of Health, 94 people died and 472 admitted to the hospitals. More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/T90svb>

315 people disappeared.

<http://euromaidansos.org/uk/znykli>

There has still been no investigation on the reasons and responsibility for using violence against

protesters. The Head of the Temporary Investigation Commission G. Moskal reports that there are strange activities and attempts to shield some personalities. He has presented documents about “anti-terrorist action” and commandment by a Russian military officer. More (Ukr): <http://tyzhden.ua/News/103022>

Lviv speaks Russian, Donetsk speaks Ukrainian

And there is no anti-Semitism in Ukraine

26.02. Lviv held a flash mob where people in Lviv spoke Russian showing solidarity with people in Eastern Russian, who responded by speaking Ukrainian. This was welcomed in Eastern Ukraine, particularly in Donetsk, where NGOs and even public officials started to speaking Ukrainian to show solidarity with Lviv. More (Ukr): <http://goo.gl/u2pHeC>

President of All Ukrainian Jewish Congress V. Rabinovich about the situation in Ukraine: “General attitude to Jewish community in Ukraine is calm and tolerant. There is NO anti-Semitism. I categorically

refute news in a number of western media about anti-Semitism in Ukraine. Such publications are provocative and do not help the life of Jewish community”. More (Rus): <http://goo.gl/GRLIIZ>

26.02 Ambassador of Israel in Ukraine has met with the leader of the Right Sector Dmytro Yarosh. D. Yarosh stated that the goal of his movement is building a democratic Ukraine, and that all negative actions, especially anti-Semitism are not supported and even more are not allowed in the Right Sector. More (Rus, Ua): <http://goo.gl/DkDafX>



Effective tactics of Ukrainian protest

To understand why the protests succeeded in toppling Yanukovich, it's worth taking a look at its strategies and military-style tactics. The protesters not only built a broad and inclusive coalition, but innovated where it mattered most: on the streets. More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/smMZKh>

The cause of the Ukrainian protesters was not to change the world, but only to change *their* world. What they wanted was normality, predictability, and the ability to live their lives the way they choose. They wanted, in other words, the things that most of us take for granted. But now that their revolution has come, the world faces certain important choices. If we don't understand the revolution in Ukraine, then

we miss something special and unusual: a chance to support democracy. Timothy Snyder. More (Eng): <http://goo.gl/8TefqX>

Kyivites have joined in cleaning parts of the city. It is still not advisable to take part in cleaning activities in most places as criminal experts have not done all necessary checks yet. More (Rus) : <http://goo.gl/HoaJkx>

60 memorable photos of Ukrainian protest: <http://goo.gl/XxM0Ek>

Yanukovych has stolen history as well as money

Ex. President of Ukraine Yanukovych “did not flee and did not order people to be shot”

More (Eng) at: <http://goo.gl/WnPt1D>

Yanukovych has taken in his private collection a number of old books, the first printed in 1574 “Apostol”. These books were stolen from Ukrainian museums. More (Ukr, fotos): <http://goo.gl/xsbDOF>

Palaces and villas of Yanukovych and his colleagues were opened to the public and journalists. Photos and reports can be viewed here:

Mezygirya Kyiv (Eng): <http://goo.gl/8zteXS>

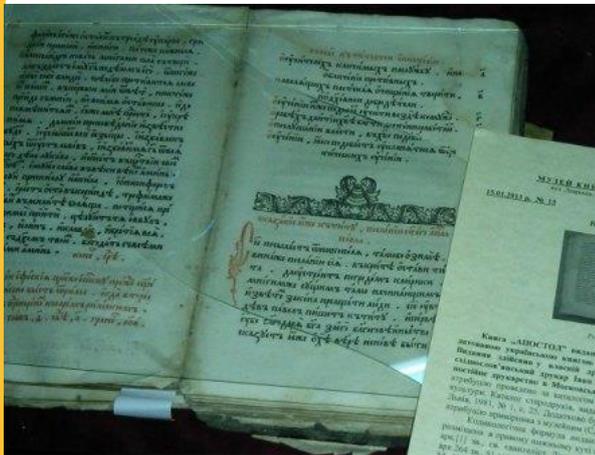
Crimea (Ukr, video): <http://goo.gl/4G28ej>

Carpathians (Ukr): <http://goo.gl/wjRXMa>

House of General Prosecutor Pshconka:

<http://goo.gl/QUcN5I>

Original 1574 book found in the “private” Yanukovych collection. General prosecutor’s portrait as Roman Cesar at his home.



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