



# CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

## EuroMaidan Newsletter # 27

### 49 Ukrainian soldiers die in plane shot down by Russian terrorists

The whole country mourns about the heroes, Russian Embassy in Kyiv is assaulted

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The deadliest day for Ukraine in the Kremlin-backed separatist war spurs outrage, calls for more Western sanctions. On the night of June 14, a Ukrainian IL 76 military airplane was shot down in Lugansk, killing 49 soldiers. Russian military equipment was used to down the plane. Read more at <http://goo.gl/fDpnoJ> See photos and witness video at <http://goo.gl/W9EVNJ>

“Ukraine, forgive us” reads a handwritten poster taped to a fence among flowers near the Ukrainian Embassy in Moscow. Several dozen people came to the Ukrainian Embassy in Moscow on June 15, the official day of mourning in Ukraine, to bring flowers and to express their condolences after 49 Ukrainian soldiers were killed in a terrorist attack. Watch video at <http://goo.gl/U3lu1L>

Funeral wreaths for Heroes of Ukraine murdered by Putin to be placed at all Russian Embassies worldwide on June 21, 2014. Join the action and read more at <http://goo.gl/Df9Z48>

The BM-21 “Grad” multiple rocket launcher system (MLRS) used to shell a suburb of the city of Dobropillya (Donetsk Oblast) on June 6 belongs to the Armed Forces of Russia. See photos at <http://goo.gl/5lMabY>

NATO headquarters has made public photos of Russian tanks, military transport and military units crossing the border with Ukraine. These images raise significant questions concerning Russia’s role in facilitating instability in eastern Ukraine and its involvement in the movement of military equipment from Russian territory

into Ukraine. Read more at <http://goo.gl/WUMxUj>

Russia Just Significantly Escalated the Crisis In Ukraine: Russian Tanks in Ukraine - Business Insider: <http://goo.gl/w8AUne>

Russian tanks and Ukrainian orphans in Moscow’s unabated offensive: A plane brought 16 Ukrainian orphans home after they were kidnapped and taken across the border into Russia. Despite this abduction, Russian tanks and now the downing of a plane carrying 49 soldiers, the West is still ineffectually threatening yet again ‘additional costs’ if Russia ‘fails to de-escalate’: <http://goo.gl/qs6S1j>

Ukrainian “Donbas” self-organized battalion commander says “*Our format is a compromise between state agencies and the voluntary movement. We want to change our country*”. Semen Semenchenko talks about voluntary special forces, the Chechen trail in Eastern Ukraine and the inevitable terror: <http://goo.gl/qPglm9>

Donbas: The Revenge of the Proletariat. Russian weapons have transformed separatist-controlled territories into a battlefield. The locals support the rebels for their promises of order and the return of Soviet values. The region could quickly become the new Transnistria <http://goo.gl/AFU9Pm>

Money of the Donbas: the unrest in Donetsk and Luhansk Oblasts has deep underlying causes. Unless addressed, they make a prospering Donbas as part of Ukraine a mission impossible <http://goo.gl/Z9P9A2>

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The debris of the Ukrainian military airplane IL 76 shot down by Russian terrorists near Luhansk, Ukraine, June 14 (Left). The deadly accident in Luhansk led to protests near the Russian Embassy in Kyiv. (Right)



# 46 journalists kidnapped, 87 attacked since the start of Russian military aggression in Ukraine

Luhansk civic activist dies after being abducted by Kremlin-backed militants. Read more at <http://goo.gl/IUVvW0>

Notes From the Underground: How the Ukrainian Media Works in Donbass. Read more at <http://goo.gl/6ms8fE>

Institute of Mass Information (IMI): Editorial offices of local mass media and broadcasting towers in the Eastern Ukraine under attack by terrorists and separatists. Read more at <http://goo.gl/RfrwY2>

Summary for the violation of journalists' rights and freedom of speech since Russian aggression started. See more infographics by the IMI at <http://goo.gl/vRK21S>

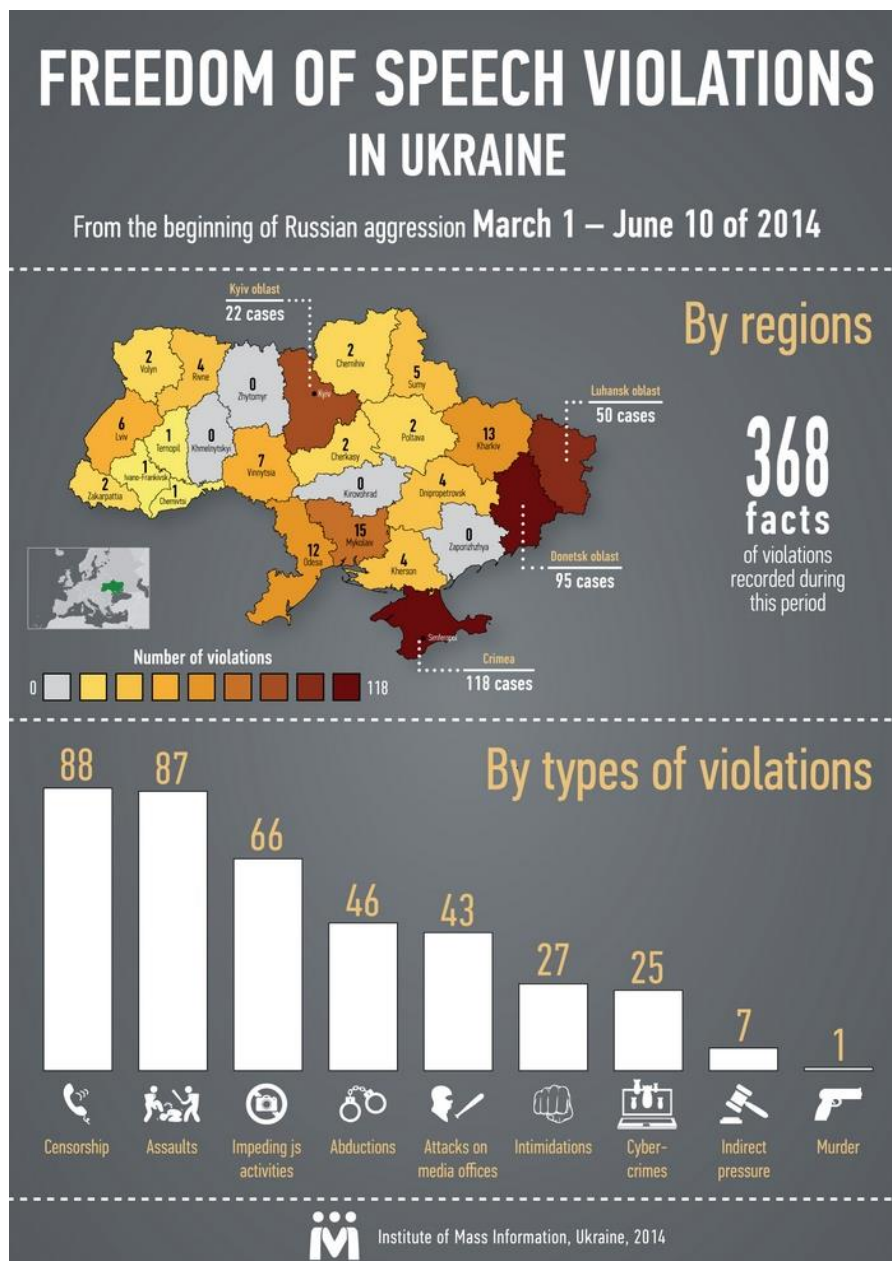
In a letter to Russian authorities, European film-makers

have expressed their worry about the fate of Ukrainian film-maker Oleg Sentsov. Pedro Almodóvar, Ken Loach, Béla Tarr, Agnieszka Holland, Andrzej Wajda and Wim Wenders are among the film-makers to have signed the appeal. Read the full text here <http://goo.gl/36wnfc>

In Dnipropetrovska oblast, journalists from the Russian TV channel "Zvezda" were detained at a checkpoint in Eastern Ukraine. SBU released them to the military attaché at the Russian Embassy in Kyiv. Read more at <http://goo.gl/Sdt3X7>

STOPFAKE: During an OSCE meeting in Vienna, the Russian delegation to the OSCE presented a fake photo of a helicopter with UN markings supposedly operating in Ukraine. Read more at <http://goo.gl/Z3XG1p>

Halya Coynash: Check your sources, Mr Lavrov. Read more at <http://goo.gl/odli8J>



## While Russia threatens to cut off gas supply, the Ukrainian government conducts democratic reforms

Ukraine's President Seeks 'Understanding' With Russia. In his first interview as President of Ukraine, Petro Poroshenko states he has no choice but to keep Russia at the negotiating table, as no country is prepared to guarantee his country's security from further attack. But whatever progress made towards a cease-fire between the Ukrainian military and pro-Russian rebels in the regions of Donetsk and Luhansk, Poroshenko has no intention of making nice with Russian President Vladimir Putin. Read more here: <http://goo.gl/8rQnOO>

Tymchuk: The Third Gas War and Kolomoyskiy's Wall. Read more at <http://goo.gl/SXE3uK>

Breaking Away From Eurasia: Previous trade rows with Russia have pushed Ukraine to reorient its key exports to the EU and other markets. This should save it from the disastrous effect of a looming trade war with Russia <http://goo.gl/ujcNVr>

Subtle Energy Independence: EBRD priorities are gradually shifting away from Russia. The investing organization is setting its sights on Ukraine and has already renewed public sector lending: <http://goo.gl/MzK47N>

Ukraine, Russia, EU Fail to Reach Deal Over Gas Prices. Moscow threatens to cut off supplies to Kyiv on Monday, June 16. <http://goo.gl/oNn5kL>

Mykhailo Honchar: *"Ukraine is paying a huge price*

*because its politicians do not know the basics of economics and security"*. The energy sector has always been the sore spot that Russia hits every time Ukraine goes "too far" in exercising its independence. And the Kremlin had always been able to bring the "unruly" Ukrainians into line again. This is how it was, but now things have changed: Ukrainians are no longer afraid of pain and have a chance to fundamentally reform their energy sector in the interests of society. <http://goo.gl/gMzciQ>

No European Joy Without Ukrainian Alloy. The EU is beginning to take concrete action against its excessive dependence on Russian gas <http://goo.gl/KRHQAK>

Vice Prime Minister Volodymyr Groysman: *"In the nearest 5-10 years Ukraine will be the most interesting country in Europe"*. Read more at <http://goo.gl/bK5NJc>

Corruption watchdogs warn of danger to public procurement transparency. Read more at <http://goo.gl/eeHAKF>

CANNES: Slaboshpytskiy's 'The Tribe' Tops Critics' Week. Read about the Ukrainian breakthrough at the Cannes Film Festival: <http://goo.gl/9CYSGf>

Ukraine is a European leader in the IT industry, according to Tech4Ukraine, a coalition of tech CEOs from global companies. Will Ukraine become the Silicon Valley of Europe? Peruse Tech4Ukraine's compilation of facts, figures and articles on Ukraine's growing IT industry. <http://goo.gl/rV1PAm>

Internally displaced people from Crimea and Eastern Ukraine hold banners reading "Stop Putin" and "I want to live in my home" during a street action to demand legal status for refugees, near the Ukrainian Parliament, June 5, 2014. Read more at <http://goo.gl/wxkkkN>



# The aggression against Ukraine will inevitably end in the redrawing of Russia's borders

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Ukraine is left alone in the struggle with Putinism, while some in the West are even aiding and abetting Moscow's gangster state. Read more at <http://goo.gl/mHmX39>

Andrey Illarionov: "The aggression against Ukraine will inevitably end in a redrawing of Russia's borders"  
Andrey Illarionov talks about the prospects of Russian imperialism, the efficiency of Western diplomacy and the possible consequences of the Russian-Ukrainian war: <http://goo.gl/QhMuI9>

Wolfgang Ischinger: Mr. Putin is challenging the very bases of the vision of European integration.  
<http://goo.gl/GmajIQ>

Moscow Draws a Religious Line in the Sand in Ukraine. Read more on the clash of civilizations between Western Christianity and Russian-led Eastern Christianity and the real consequences of Putin's Ukrainian adventure, which are soon likely to be felt beyond the borders of that country. Read more <http://goo.gl/BSdY4X>

Natalia Melnychuk: How many Ukrainians have to be killed before the West imposes tough sanctions against Russia? Read more at <http://goo.gl/FTDIR0>

From a system of power to a regime: the Russian journey. Read more at <http://goo.gl/V50tu3>

Prof. Motyl: The end of Donbass? Read the whole article at <http://goo.gl/586hyy>

How Moscow Hijacked the History of Kyivan Rus. For centuries under the rule of conquerors, Ukrainians were basically deprived of the opportunity to influence the formation of its national history. Especially troublesome is the question of the pretensions and demands of Moscow, and later Russia, concerning the historical legacy of the Kyivan Rus. Who created the historical myth of the Russian state and why? <http://goo.gl/3zew7V>

The Chronicles of Dignity. How the past six months have changed Ukrainians, Ukraine and the Maidan.  
<http://goo.gl/rshAJx>

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