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Ukrainian Forces Advance after Heavy Fighting

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Ukrainian Army advances after heavy fighting. Read more at <http://goo.gl/gzBgIO>

See map of the anti-terrorism operation (ATO) advancement in East Ukraine as of July 27 at <http://goo.gl/uBfj9n> and July 28 at (Ukr) <http://goo.gl/zJAPfS>

July 28: ATO units are breaking through to troops cutoff at the border. Read more at <http://goo.gl/zlrzwK>

There is still no resolution in the absurd saga involving efforts by Polish volunteers to bring bulletproof vests and helmets to Ukraine to help save Ukrainian soldiers' lives. The problem seems to be EU legislation. Read more at <http://goo.gl/Z1JJzP>

"KRAZ Cougars: the new equipment of the National Guard of Ukraine's newly created operational brigade. Building up the strength for peace for Ukraine. See photos at <http://goo.gl/htfMPX>

Putin's attacks on Ukraine continue from the Russian side of the border. A timeline of events shows how more advanced weapons have been used since April to shoot down aircraft. <http://goo.gl/GKkbmS>

Severodonetsk residents recall occupiers' brutality. While some in the liberated Eastern cities supported the Russian-backed guerillas, the majority of the population say they suffered extortion, violence and intolerance. A

report from a city just taken back by Ukrainian forces: <http://goo.gl/88hdEA>

Psychologist on Sloviansk citizens: there is not a single person who could have avoided fear and stress. <http://goo.gl/NFxrHP>

President Petro Poroshenko's op-ed in the Washington Post: *"Moscow is playing a dangerously irresponsible game. My fears of the violence spiraling out of control were confirmed July 17, when the separatists used Russian missiles to shoot down Malaysia Airlines Flight 17. This attack on innocents should never have happened."* Read more at <http://goo.gl/OxzZ0i>

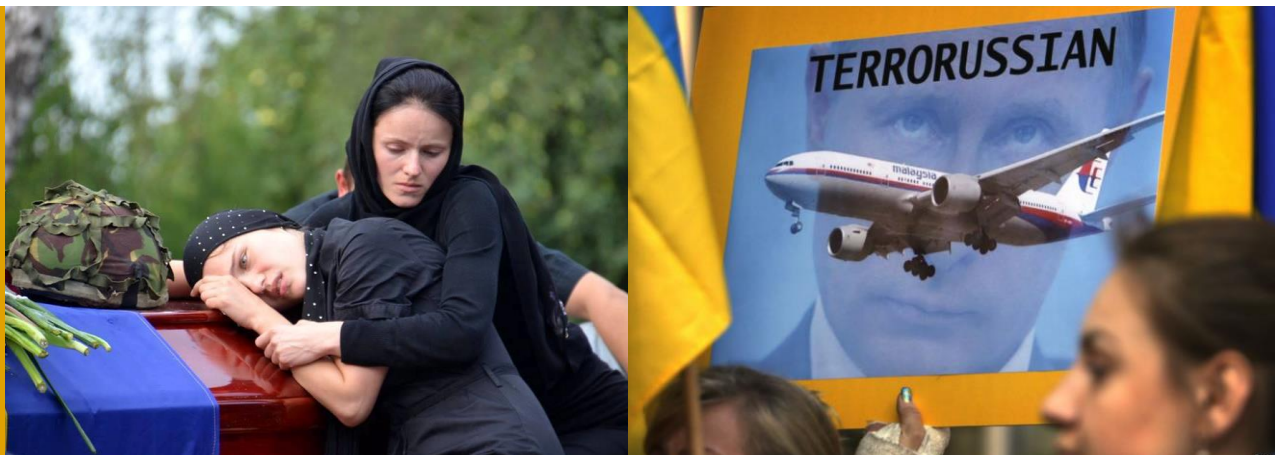
"After the MH17 disaster this became an international conflict, a global one" – stated Arseniy Yatsenyuk, PM of Ukraine for CNN. <http://goo.gl/nMliYD>

Russian media Reportage24 falsely claimed that all men in Slavyansk, Ukraine have been placed into concentration camps, where they are being tortured, beaten and forced to sing the hymn of Ukraine. Read 80 lies about Ukraine investigated by the Examiner at <http://goo.gl/ADVWcl>

Info war rages in Moscow: From flying corpses to Spanish air traffic controllers, Russian media are doing their best to muddy the waters around what happened to MH17. Read the story at <http://goo.gl/Ym16yF>

Left: Ukraine says goodbye to more defenders every day

Right: 19 July Australian anti-Putin protest poster



Dutch Prime Minister wants 'several hundred' troops at MH17 crash site

Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte has said the Netherlands is working with several nations, including Australia, to send a military mission to eastern Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/qST700>

10 days after the MH17 crash, international investigators are still struggling to gain access to the disaster site in eastern Ukraine. The combined reporting of foreign correspondents appears to corroborate social media and intelligence accounts that link the crash to a Buk missile fired by pro-Russian separatists. Read more at <http://goo.gl/OPSp0B>

July 24: OSCE Special Monitoring Mission (SMM) to Ukraine visited parts of the crash site which they had not visited before. The OSCE SMM team is cooperating with two Australian and three Malaysian diplomats and forensic experts at the MH17 crash site. The Mission consists of about 275 international civilian monitors who are present at ten locations in the area. Read more at <http://goo.gl/v5hkju>

A powerful Ukrainian military leader has confirmed that pro-Russian separatists had an anti-aircraft missile of the type Washington says was used to shoot down Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 and that it could have originated in Russia. <http://goo.gl/NtNoYx>

From the moment it became clear that a civilian jetliner had been shot down over eastern Ukraine by the Russian-backed insurgents, many Ukrainians, including senior officials here in the capital have been awaiting a forceful international response. They are still waiting. <http://goo.gl/EmgDks>

Portnikov: sanctions are terms from the past now. After the Boeing was shot down, the world changed drastically. After the tragedy with the passenger liner that was shot down by mercenaries in Donetsk, the US and European Union have quite harsh intentions regarding Russia. <http://goo.gl/jK1UQw>

Russia, MH17 and the West. A web of lies. Vladimir Putin's epic deceits have grave consequences for his people and the outside world. <http://goo.gl/inTYxX>

Igor Strelkov, a key suspect in the MH17 crash, is linked to the massacre of 3,000 Bosnian Muslims in 1992. Read more at <http://goo.gl/YOWj38>

July 26: Militants kidnap 60 orphaned children in Luhansk, 16 infants less than 1 year old. <http://goo.gl/87GHK9> ; <http://goo.gl/C1x1xk>

July 27: The orphans abducted by the terrorists have been released, Ombudswoman of Ukraine reports. Read more at (Ukr) <http://goo.gl/Txdmfk>

Four Crimean civic activists known for their opposition to Russia's annexation of Crimea still have not been found since they disappeared in May. Friends and colleagues are convinced that they were seized by the Russian security services. Read more at <http://goo.gl/qgqhF4>

A man from Yalta, Crimea, could face a year imprisonment for flying the Ukrainian flag. <http://goo.gl/HKrpzd>



Yatsenyuk resigns as parliament elections are likely to be held in autumn 2014

Nobody panic: there is no alternative to disbanding parliament

Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk has resigned on July 24 after the collapse of the ruling coalition in parliament, paving the way to early parliamentary elections this autumn. Parliament registered a bill that set early elections to the legislature for Sept. 28, 2014 but they aren't expected to take place until the last Sunday in October. <http://goo.gl/s5JV4g>

The Cabinet of Ministers issued a statement on July 25 calling parliament to hold an extraordinary session to adopt measures that would raise an additional \$1.2 billion in revenue, of which \$770 million would be allocated for the military effort against Russia. Read more at <http://goo.gl/Q745Kd>

Russia's LifeNews has found a new crusader "for the truth" against the "nationalist-fascist regime in Kyiv" in the figure of Petro Symonenko, whose communist party faction in parliament was dissolved on Thursday.

<http://goo.gl/DfzZbC>

Nobody panic: there is no alternative to disbanding parliament. The end of dictatorship. War for independence. The birth of a political nation. It is impossible to skip these stages. And this means that everything is going according to plan.

<http://goo.gl/oiYavD>

Donbas Economy under Fire. The large companies in the region are the primary providers for millions of residents of the Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts — a situation that will not change no matter who is in power. Perhaps, understanding this, the terrorists for the most part are not interfering with their work. This is not the case, however, in other sectors.

<http://goo.gl/ggVPB2>

Rebels, pro-Russians, or just Russians?

A lot of journalists still talk of 'rebels' and 'pro-Russians', 'separatists' or 'pro-Russian separatists'. This is NOT the right reflection of reality and therefore the terms are unjust and misleading. Why it is important to use the right labels? See photo and video evidences of Russian invasion from across social networks: <http://goo.gl/b4aUoZ>

Vladimir Petrov (@_hedder) found evidence of a Russian artillery unit shelling Ukrainian positions from Russian territory: a soldier from that unit had been posting photos on his social network page. <http://goo.gl/IRM2de>

Watch video evidence showing how Russian troops shell Ukrainian territory at <http://goo.gl/i7TLf6>

Russia continues to supply terrorists with weapons, military equipment and manpower. <http://goo.gl/GOZSYk>

A letter to the Russians from Donetsk: "*It so turned out that I am a native Donetsk citizen. There is not much to be proud of, but it's a fact. I would have continued living at home, if a bunch of mad fanatics supported by Russia had not decided to make war in my native town and bring Russian mercenaries there. So let's talk about the things they won't show you instead.*" Read more at <http://goo.gl/AGyY5I>

New "old" Russian imperialism and hybrid wars – an historical overview. Elements of the Doctrine and Eurasian ideology are present in political programs or in theories of the "Russian national idea."

<http://goo.gl/dvrDC6>

Vitaliy Portnikov: Putin caught in the Milošević trap. The problem of all boring officials – and Putin, of course, is a boring official and not a politician – is their faith that everything in this world develops according to their plans and desires and not according to tendencies and historical logic.

<http://goo.gl/FIEVko>

Russia's message to the E.U.: Money talks. Anne Applebaum from the Washington Post rethinks the nature of the Russian influence in Europe:

<http://goo.gl/1CzTPA>

Former Russian Intel Officer Predicts Putin's Fall.

<http://goo.gl/37ZDFx>

What Europe can do about Putin. We've wavered long enough. Here are six actions the EU could take immediately. An opinion article by Mikheil Saakashvili <http://goo.gl/pyzRH9>

Prof. Motyl: Putin, just evil enough. Read more at <http://goo.gl/SdkDrE>

EuroMaidan documentary "Maidan" by Serhiy Loznytsya hits the big screen in Kyiv theaters. <http://goo.gl/wumHAp>



Art in times of war

Russian historian Andrey Zubov: Ukrainian Banderites are an example of the great lie of the Soviet system. Through an online history department, Zubov aims to explain all the things Russian society finds difficult to accept. He was one of the first Russian intellectuals to speak out against the annexation of Crimea. And as a result on July 1st he was fired from his position at the Moscow State International Relations University. Read more at <http://goo.gl/mbDbqX>

Film director Volodymyr Tykhyi, who presented his feature film "Green Jacket" at the Odesa film festival said: *"It's very difficult to devote money to the film industry while in the country there is war and all finances should go to the war effort, but you can't interrupt a culture in development. It's important not only for the country as a whole, but for each individual citizen."* Read more at <http://goo.gl/1W4sYV>

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