



# CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

## EuroMaidan Newsletter # 5

### Maidan activists kidnapped, tortured and dumped in the woods to die.

#### One found dead, two managed to survive, one missing

January 21, 2014. Igor Lutsenko, one of Maidan's civic leaders, was kidnapped together with Yuriy Verbytskyi, an activist from Lviv, by five unidentified men around 4am from the Zhovtneva hospital (Kyiv). Lutsenko had brought the injured Verbytskyi there for medical treatment.

Igor Lutsenko was found 20 hours later severely wounded in a wooded area outside of Kyiv. In his video statement he said: *"I was held in some kind of garage, was beaten for hours by a group of criminals. They have a conveyer of tortures. I heard them beating several people besides me. They wanted to know who was funding Maidan. Later I was thrown half naked in the woods somewhere in Kyiv region with a plastic bag over my head and left to die. I was lucky to get to the village and survive"*.

See full video statement of Lutsenko (In Ukrainian) at <http://goo.gl/okOJ1R>

The next day Yuri Verbytskyi was found dead in the same area where Lutsenko was found. His body had signs of torture. Read more (in Ukrainian) <http://goo.gl/AS3W0u>

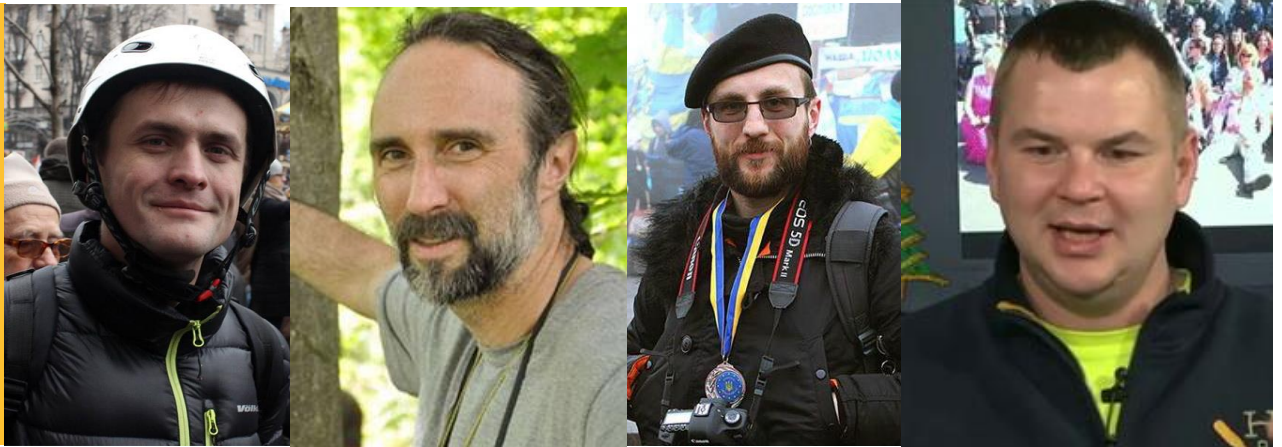
January 23. Maryan Havryliv, a photographer from Lviv, has been seized by riot police and subjected to severe beatings and torture. He was found in very poor condition. Havryliv said he had been taken out of the city, stripped naked in the cold and brutally beaten. *"There were around 20 people detained with me in the police detention truck. I've seen six such trucks around."*

Read more (in Russian) at <http://goo.gl/HdzJzi>

January 23. Dmytro Bulatov, one of the leaders of AutoMaidan, is currently missing, allegedly kidnapped. Read more at <http://goo.gl/F2nSfk>

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Lutsenko,  
Verbytsky,  
Havryliv,  
Bulatov –  
new  
victims of  
the regime



### 5 people killed in clashes with riot police on Hrushevskogo street in Kyiv

#### Riot police using live bullets against protestors

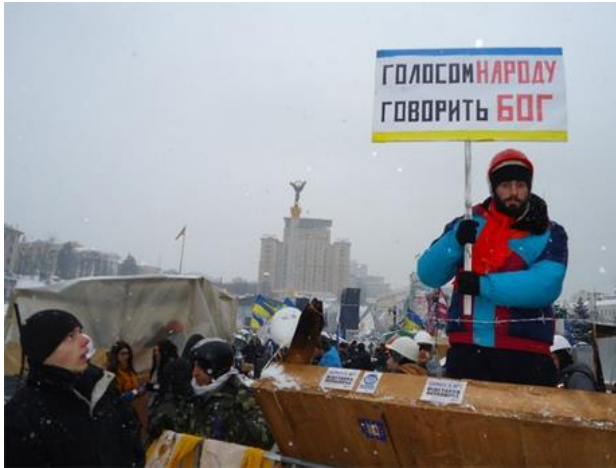
On January 22, 2014, five people were killed during clashes with riot police in central Kyiv. Four of them had been shot by live bullets, reports EuroMaidan medical services. The victims had been shot in the head, neck and heart most likely by police snipers. At least 400 were wounded on the night of January 22 alone, many suffering from eye injuries. Read more at <http://goo.gl/D3SQUg>

Human rights groups report that, between January 19-22, criminal gangs kidnapped approximately 100 people. Read more at <http://goo.gl/LHiEVV>

January 22, 2014. Kyiv hospitals became a dangerous place to be. Hundreds of riot police have been stationed at hospitals, snapping up people out of ambulances or on admission and dragging them to police cars, without any medical attention. The hospitals are currently being patrolled by AutoMaidan activists who are rescuing those brought from Maidan for treatment before police can detain them.

On the night of January 23, fifteen people were seized by police and nine cars were damaged, reports EuroMaidan SOS. Read details at <http://goo.gl/Y9rtWI>

## Serhiy Nigoyan: I came to Maidan to stop tyranny in Ukraine



20-year old Armenian Sergiy Nigoyan at EuroMaidan holds a banner saying "GOD SPEAKS THROUGH THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE"

The Ukrainian government is currently conducting propaganda that people killed by snipers on Hrushevskoho Street in Kyiv were Armenian extremists. This propaganda is being spread in the Western media.

Serhiy Nigoyan, together with four other victims, was shot to death during the clashes with riot police on January 22, 2014 in Kyiv. 20-year old Serhiy came to Maidan from the Dnipropetrovsk region. Read more about Serhiy Nigoyan here <http://goo.gl/2kex23>

Serhiy joined Maidan because he believed that he was unable to protest human rights violations in any other way. He said that he wanted to stop the increasing dictatorial nature of the country. According to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, every citizen is guaranteed the right to revolt if other methods for protecting human rights are exhausted, and tyranny and dictatorship are present.

Watch Nigoyan's interview at Maidan, given a few days before he was killed, at <http://goo.gl/fupfgc>

Riot police using live weapons and beating protesters on Hrushevskoho Street, Kyiv. January 22, 2014



## Riot police using water cannons and live bullets to stop protests. 45 journalists injured. Is Europe ready to turn its back on Ukraine?

The Institute of Mass Information continues to monitor the number of national and international journalists injured in the stand off on Hrushevskoho.

During January 19-23, forty-five journalists have been injured or assaulted.

See the full list (in Ukrainian) at <http://goo.gl/uhkGg1>

Prime Minister of Ukraine Mykola Azarov has been banned from the World Economic Forum in Davos. Earlier Viktor Yanukovich cancelled his participation in the Forum. Read more at <http://goo.gl/pX7boK>

January 22, 2014. The European Union said it would "rethink" its relationship with Ukraine "if there is evidence of systematic violations of human rights, including shooting at peaceful demonstrators. Read more at <http://goo.gl/jcFvFn>

The opposition says that usage of weapons is against the law. However, the Cabinet of Ministers has expanded the variety of special tools that military forces are allowed to use as in state of emergency. Read the orders #13 and #14 from 22 January 2014. Read more (English) at <http://goo.gl/Nsehzd>

See more details about January 23 in English at <http://goo.gl/7MIZWc>

After the last round of negotiations, Yanukovich and his counterparts and the opposition leaders have still reached no agreement. Read more <http://goo.gl/t2SKxS>

See the stunning photos from the January 22 protest here <http://goo.gl/7nwATu>



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