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Failed 'Normandy Four' meeting could lead to violence in eastern Ukraine Insight on worrying Netherlands referendum

No breakthrough during 'Normandy Four' meeting. Complete breakdown could lead to a spiral of violence in eastern Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/BLGr5F>

Turning Ukrainian parliament into a 'leading legislative institution'. <http://goo.gl/OS7APJ>

Playing with fear and ignorance. Further important insight on the worrying referendum in the Netherlands on the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement. <http://goo.gl/5jTxIK>

EU extends sanctions against Yanukovich, 15 associates. <http://goo.gl/b8xhel> ; Obama extends sanctions against Russia for another year. <http://goo.gl/hBmkGb>

UN report on human rights in Ukraine: Serious threats to people on occupied territories and isolation for displaced. <http://goo.gl/dcfrJY>

Ukraine's Minister of Information Policy Yuriy Stets says EU allies are unprepared for Kremlin hybrid war and warns that recent Russian information attack

in Germany is just the beginning. <http://goo.gl/YrM6wK>

Ukrainian Ambassador to U.S. calls for further support through train-and-equip programmes. <http://goo.gl/GmXILd>

Power outages caused by cyber-attacks can happen again - U.S. National Security Agency. <http://goo.gl/41ZoUW>

Ukrainian refugee protests and other fake stories from StopFake. <http://goo.gl/xS6U69>

The mayor of Heidelberg, Germany Eckart Würzner met to discuss "partnerships" and close cooperation with Simferopol in city officials in occupied Crimea. <http://goo.gl/m9oYpa>

Christian Estrosi, head of the French region of Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur and Mayor of Nice, has said the Crimean city of Yalta belongs to the Russian Federation. <http://goo.gl/Sp8XF6>

Left: Viktor Kardash, 32, dance teacher before the war. Life stories project. (Photos, Ukr) <https://goo.gl/Q1FT4b>

Right: Jaresko top candidate for prime minister. <http://goo.gl/h0gtfS>



'We need to have Ukraine on the agenda'

How a democratic tool became a threat to democracy

How a referendum once introduced as the ultimate form of democracy has been hijacked in Holland, and is serving those in Russia whose basic rules of the game are simple – that the EU should crumble. <http://goo.gl/aE4qqJ>

Parasitism, separatism and patriotism in Donetsk. <http://goo.gl/xkGRsC>

'We need to have Ukraine on the agenda'. The results of Ukraine Week in Brussels. <http://goo.gl/rORKmU>

European Parliament President reflects on Ukraine, visa liberalisation & the future of the E.U. <http://goo.gl/OYXi3k>

Decentralizing government power is key to

reforming Ukraine. Alexander J. Motyl. <http://goo.gl/ETxaBx>

Unknown territories. Kateryna Botanova. <http://goo.gl/sH9MNz>

A Ukrainian doctor's choice: be a beggar or a racketeer. <http://goo.gl/FMFX9m>

The actions of certain Orthodox activists demonstrate that the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the Moscow Patriarchate (UOC-MP) is openly working for Russia. <http://goo.gl/nqyPd9>

Andrey Zubov: Russians regret taking over Crimea, but haven't repented yet. <http://goo.gl/kTmKDi>

Donbas escalation: Russian forces violate Minsk agreements

Russian Army prepares for military action to expand control over Ukraine

Mar 6. Terrorists violated truce 52 times, firing from mortars and artillery. The tensest situation reported near Avdiivka. <http://goo.gl/y30YBo> ; (map) <http://goo.gl/RKjqTm> ; Terrorists opened fire from heavy weapons near Avdiivka. Militants' sabotage-reconnaissance unit provocatively attacked civilian transport. <http://goo.gl/c2ZPpG>

The 1st and 2nd Army Corps actively prepare for military action to expand control over the territory of Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/YLfNPu>

High-ranking Russian officers arrived in Donbas to investigate data leak. <http://goo.gl/bvnbkY>

When the shaky ceasefire brokered by Russia and the United States kicked in this week in Syria, almost immediately, Moscow began re-escalating the conflict in eastern Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/uzPWx2>

Mar 3. Donbas Escalation: Russian-backed separatist forces violate Minsk agreements. Grad systems and large-caliber weapons in use despite a cease-fire in eastern Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/K2wAZh>

'Cargo 200 from Ukraine to Russia' volunteers confirmed the deaths of more than 2,000 Russian citizens in Donbas. <http://goo.gl/oE4HtR> ; full list: <http://goo.gl/wrp8q4>

Russian Spetsnaz officer exposed fighting in Donbas demands YouTube remove the 'confidential' evidence. <http://goo.gl/r7kSvI>

An influential field commander Oleksandr Khodakovsky admitted that Rinat Akhmetov's goon Maksym Leshchenko is the unofficial ruler of the Donetsk breakaway republic. <http://goo.gl/B980Oy>

The impact of war on a volunteer's life. <http://goo.gl/Bk90Kc>

'Children pay heavy price' for war in eastern Ukraine. The OSCE official explains the findings of observers monitoring the ceasefire. <http://goo.gl/79FfZA>

Ukrainian women train for war. Officially prohibited front frontline service, officials estimate nearly 14,000 female fighters. <http://goo.gl/NCptsn>

Participants of rally on Maidan demanded Savchenko's release. <http://goo.gl/GOXhUC>

To European leaders:
Free Savchenko!
(Petition)
<https://goo.gl/fay9vD>



'I Will Return To Ukraine, Dead or Alive' -- Savchenko

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'I Will Return To Ukraine, Dead Or Alive' – Savchenko. <http://goo.gl/dk6TMm> ; Savchenko's last statement to court online. <http://goo.gl/KOn9Bw> ; Savchenko announces hunger strike without water. <http://goo.gl/6vxXFE>

Moscow-based activist group Conflict Intelligence Team publishes results of investigation proving Ukrainian pilot is not guilty. <http://goo.gl/qyjnVF>

Russian Embassy in Kyiv pelted with eggs and brilliant green. Ukrainians are making a fresh push

for the release of Nadiya Savchenko. <http://goo.gl/VP6ReR>

The Supreme Court of the self-proclaimed Crimean Republic considers banning the Mejlis, the highest representative body of the Crimean Tatar community, accused of "extremist activities". <http://goo.gl/jMD98f> ; 2,300 directly at risk if Russia bans Crimean Tatar Representative Body. <http://goo.gl/Etts7y>

Mariya Varfolomeyeva: 'I got out of the habit of being a human'. Ukrainian journalist released after more than a year in militant captivity. <http://goo.gl/yJnC2D>

Jaresko emerges as top candidate for prime minister

EU and experts call for action on energy reforms

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Finance Minister Natalia Yaresko has given her preliminary consent to head the cabinet, putting forward several conditions, a source in the president's office told Ukrayinska Pravda March 4. <http://goo.gl/p4h8o2>

Cabinet forbids civil servants from criticizing government. <http://goo.gl/rNq2UH>

While Ukrainian politicians argue they need more time to enact reforms, international experts and potential investors are becoming increasingly impatient with the slow pace of change. <http://goo.gl/zTHGRr>

Ukrainian authorities have thrown the country into legal chaos by introducing legislation that could potentially block all criminal investigations at the Prosecutor General's Office. <http://goo.gl/EXGI3p>

President signs law enabling large-scale privatisation in Ukraine in 2016. <http://goo.gl/MiMLyG>

Ukraine parliament approves participation in E.U. Creative Europe programme. Programme will allow Ukrainian artists to participate in European projects. <http://goo.gl/JMVebQ>

Head of the State Agency for E-Governance: Ukraine approves "road map" of open data for 2016. <http://goo.gl/V3FkwN>

According to the recent tax code update, Ukrainians should pay more for alcohol & tobacco products in 2016. <http://goo.gl/OTC5QH>

The mayoral election in Kryvyi Rih puts the system in agony. <http://goo.gl/zd1sEj>

Anti-corruption prosecutor says he's not truly independent, but autonomous. <http://goo.gl/R06Un7>

The Kyiv Appeals Court released police officer Serhiy Oliynyk, a suspect in the killing of a passenger in a car the officer was pursuing, to house arrest on March 2. <http://goo.gl/1yanZR>

The fight to bring PayPal's full service to Ukraine has been going on for a year, and it's far from over yet. <http://goo.gl/sqAWct>

Ukraine returns 2.5 million euros in unspent 'green investments' to Japan. <http://goo.gl/NP7E97>

International investors are increasingly attracted to Ukraine's alternative energy industry as the country looks to rethink national energy strategy and reduce dependence on foreign imports. <http://goo.gl/KoOEq1>

Left: Not Back in the USSR! Beatles star John Lennon gets a street named after him in Ukraine.

<http://goo.gl/YqwRoO>

Right: Electrocars are nail in the coffin of Russian aggression – founder of Ukraine's ElectroCars start-up with new charging station.

<http://goo.gl/oGuEvT>



20 Ukraine companies are among Europe's fastest-growing

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20 Ukraine-based companies make it on list of Europe's fastest-growing private firms. <http://goo.gl/KBLVsX>

Ukraine is now specialising in the internet of things, blockchain and bitcoin. And ambitious Ukrainian

entrepreneurs are endeavouring to move their ailing, crisis-torn economy towards a high-tech one. <http://goo.gl/CsKWUE>

Left: Disabled model Oleksandra Kutas chooses catwalk. <http://goo.gl/SPvL9F>

Right: Desolate Ukrainian village becomes artists' canvas. <http://goo.gl/M2sF2J>



An ancient 3000 y.o. Scythian statue found in Ukraine

The Renaissance of Ukrainian literature shot dead by Stalin in the 1930's

An ancient 3000 y.o. Scythian statue found in Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/viiRMO>

The Taras Shevchenko National Prizes were awarded to painter Mykhailo Guida, publicist Levko Lukyanenko, ballet master Radu Poklitaru, director Oleg Sentsov and artist Angelina Shvachka. <http://goo.gl/q8kGoh>

How traditional embroidery tells Ukraine's story. Kyiv exhibition highlights important part of

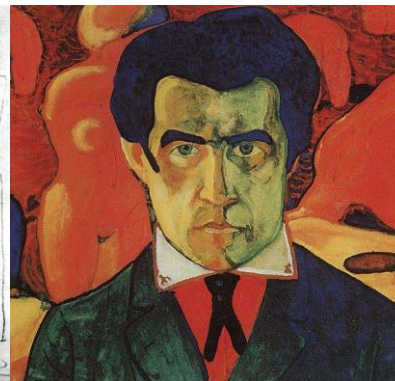
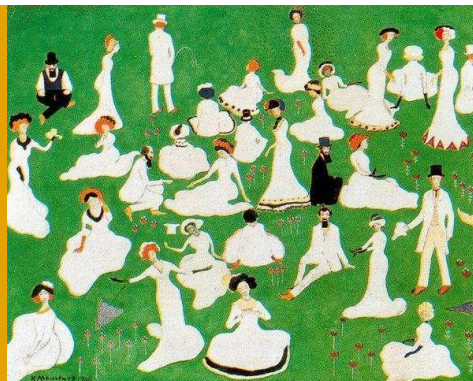
national culture. <http://goo.gl/EeNxTO>

The Renaissance of Ukrainian literature was shot dead by Stalin in the 1930's. <http://goo.gl/1Wd2GT>

Announcement exhibition— research “Foreign investment in Ukraine at the end of 19th century – beginning of 20th century. Part one: Belgium”. <http://goo.gl/OM00Dk>

Odesa doctors conduct a unique heart operation on one-month-old patient Sofiya suffering from aortic arch defect. <http://goo.gl/4dvW14>

K. Malevich: 10 paintings to his Birthday. <http://goo.gl/wi7bZl>
Left: 1908
Centre: There is hunger and death where you find hammer and sickle (USSR)
Right: Self portrait



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