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NATO mission sees progress in reaching membership goal

Deportation, genocide, and Russia's war against Crimean Tatars

Ukraine marks [72 years since Soviet authorities deported Crimean Tatars](#). Ukrainian Parliament urges U.N. and E.U. to recognize this mass expulsion as genocide.

Deportation, genocide, and [Russia's war against Crimean Tatars](#).

I survived genocide. [Stories of survivors](#) of Crimean Tatar deportation.

Poroshenko: We begin the real [restructuring of the defense and security sector to join NATO](#).

Head of Ukraine's NATO mission sees [progress in reaching goal of membership](#).

[French TV channel busts Russian journalists on](#)

[distorting facts](#).

[StopFake News no.83](#) include Russian media claims the west is losing the info war, Russian sour grapes in the aftermath of Ukraine's Eurovision song contest victory, Italian region of Veneto wants EU sanctions lifted.

[Can lies that kill and distortion of events that have led to mass human rights violations be protected](#) by the right to freedom of speech? Swedish TV SVT seems to think so.

[Russia officially refused to extradite Yanukovich](#) to Ukraine. As Russia refuses to extradite ex-President Viktor Yanukovich to Ukraine, the Ukrainian Prosecutor's Office will raise the issue of [his interrogation in Russia](#).

Left: [Ukrainian Emroidery day](#). Canadian Cabinet of Ministers (pictured). [View Kyiv, Odesa, and Kharkiv](#).

Right: "Prisons and camps won't break us": [rally dedicated to 72nd anniversary of Crimean Tatars' deportation](#)



Occupied Crimea is Moscow's test laboratory for repressions

Countering Soviet-Russian propaganda and disinformation

Free of charge, but not for nothing. [What's wrong with international aid to Ukraine](#).

Askold S. Lozynskyj: [Countering Soviet/Russian propaganda and disinformation](#).

Will Ottawa [abandon Canadian values](#) to accommodate Russian interests?

Kremlin has been using the Ukrainian peninsula as a [testing site for repressive measures](#) it then employs elsewhere.

The Russians don't like Ukrainians because the latter [show them that there is a different way in life](#), Prof. Valery Solovej.

How public should the [Soviet KGB archives](#) be?

Why compare the [Holodomor and the Holocaust](#).

Why [investors are not coming to Ukraine](#)? The answer is in the gas price.

[From hosting Eurovision-2017](#), Ukraine could improve its image and attractiveness. Hosting the competition in a city other than Kyiv (e.g. in Lviv or Odesa) could potentially maximize the gains.

Verkhovna Rada under the microscope. [10 facts which determine the Ukrainian Parliament](#), or how to identify a true reformer.

Militants violate ceasefire over 6,000 times since start of 2016

Ukraine details requirements needed for elections in Donbas

[Militants have violated the ceasefire over 6,000 times](#) since the start of 2016.

May 23. [Militants attack ATO forces 31 times](#), firing artillery and grenade launchers near Shyrokyne. [Militants fire 240 artillery shells and about 30 mines](#) on Ukrainian positions in Avdiivka. (report, map)

May 22. [Terrorists intensified attacks throughout the front line](#) in the Luhansk region. Stanytsia Luhanska checkpoint was fired on, and [Avdiivka was heavily shelled](#). Russian-backed separatist forces fired more than [70 banned 122-mm artillery shells](#).

[Ukraine's requirements for elections in Donbas](#): full access of OSCE representatives, withdrawal of weapons, voting by displaced persons, involvement of Ukrainian parties and media.

[Azov Battalion marches in Kyiv against local elections in Donbas](#). Activists set off firecrackers but no clashes reported.

On the war front, [Ukrainian soldiers feel abandoned](#).

Kyiv Armored Plant [developed computer-aided weapon station](#) for combat vehicles.

Ukraine's intel reveals how much cash [Moscow has forwarded to militants](#) in May (\$19 mln). Russia has also sent 35,000 blank passports to Donbas.

"Terrifying report" by Huff Post shows how pro-Russian [separatists tortured 4,000 people](#).

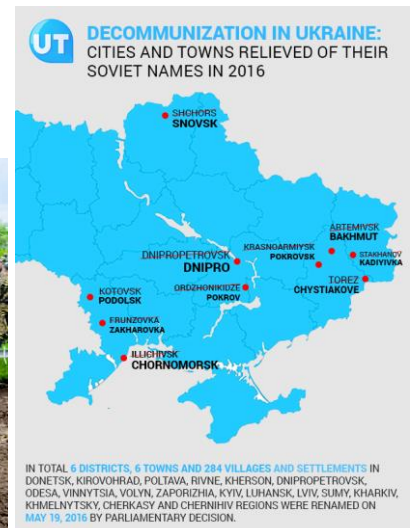
U.S. Department of State and USAID: US allocates [\\$28 million for internally displaced persons](#) in Ukraine.

Rehabilitation with Passion: [Tango lessons for Ukrainian soldiers](#). War veteran opens dance school in Kyiv.

[Vakarchuk unites Mariupol](#) around love and Ukraine. 30 000 attended.

Left: Ukraine's first [open-air anti-terrorist operation museum](#) created in Dnipro.

Right: [Decommunization in Ukraine](#): the cities and towns relieved of their Soviet names in 2016.



"They try me because I am Ukrainian," - Karpiuk

When it comes to Crimea's economy, words and figures don't meet.

["They try me because I am Ukrainian,"](#) – Karpiuk, in last statement made in Russian court.

Ukrainian citizens Mykola Karpyuk and Stanislav Klykh, considered by Ukraine as [political prisoners in Russia since their imprisonment two years ago, were found guilty](#) of murder in Grozny, Chechnya.

Occupied [Luhansk left without water](#). Terrorists do not allow the problem to be fixed.

Tortured Ukrainian [‘sentenced’ by Kremlin-backed militants to 30 years](#).

Activists who wanted to join the May 18th Crimean Tatars' [deportation anniversary rally in Crimea](#)

sentenced to community service.

[Crimea's economy](#). When Russia's words and figures don't meet.

Gulnara Bekirova: [“Those who stay in Crimea and those who left are in an equally difficult position, albeit their tragedies differ”](#).

Russia's brutal [revenge on Crimean Tatar political prisoner for refusal to collaborate](#).

Russia sent [9,000 troopers to Crimea in March 2014](#) - Russian diplomat.

IMF: Kyiv making progress on economy, despite difficulties

Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine challenged to 379 tasks in 365 days

[379 tasks in 365 days](#). This is the bar which the government of Prime Minister Volodymyr Groysman officially set for themselves.

[What stands in Ukraine's way to prosperity?](#)

Ukrainian Deputy Minister of Economic Development and Trade joins UT to talk about economic reforms.

A [mission from the IMF](#) has said at the conclusion of an eight-day visit to Kyiv that [Ukraine has made considerable progress in restoring macroeconomic stability](#) during the past year, despite difficult circumstances faced by the war-torn country.

[The main economic news](#) of the past week (Unian): The IMF mission is satisfied with Ukrainian reforms; Prime Minister Groysman presented his plan for the country's development, while Ukraine's strategic enterprise, the Odesa Portside Chemical Plant is put up for sale – these are.

An end to sabotage of [Maidan crime investigations](#)?

Evidence has emerged that Oleksandr Hranovsky, an influential [lawmaker from the Bloc of President Petro Poroshenko](#), may have intervened in the work of judges and prosecutors.

Kyiv region prosecutor [Kolesnyk detained for bribery](#).

Ukraine [liquidates its State Penitentiary Service](#) amid reform.

[Cyprus-based company refutes](#) withdrawal of EUR 4 mln abroad by Poroshenko's fund.

Procurement, Integrity Management and Openness (PRIMO) Forum, [the world's largest forum on public procurement](#), will be held in Ukraine in 2017.

What has the greatest [impact on gas consumption in Ukraine](#): loss of territory, war, economic crisis, warm winter or price hike?

Despite a year-old declaration by Ukraine officials that the illegal amber mining was close to being stopped, the "[Amber People's Republic](#)" is still thriving.

The Ukrainian parliament has voted to change the name of the country's third-largest city from [Dnipropetrovsk to Dnipro](#).

Left: Ukrainian student team from the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy [wins the global Telders International Moot Court Competition](#) (Hague)

Right: Ukrainian [electric vehicle plans to conquer European mass market](#)



Growing IT industry to fuel tech education evolution

Ukrainian tech startup helping small farmers work more efficiently

Growing IT industry to fuel [tech education evolution](#) in Ukraine.

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Ukrainian team [wins U.S. developers' competition with 'smart defibrillator'](#). Newly created platform helps to save human lives.

Swedish-Ukrainian company finds [IT education](#) lights path to growth.

[Solar energy helps keep Chernivtsi pool](#) running all-year-long. Local pre-school pioneers in major environmentally-friendly heating campaign.

Left: The dynastic connections of the Kyivan Rus at Prince Yaroslav's time.

Right: Secret ancestral codes: 12 main symbols in Ukrainian embroidery



Sensational Find: Palace of Prince Volodymyr the Great

Another Ukrainian woman conquers Everest

Sensational Find: the Palace of Prince Volodymyr the Great was unearthed in central Kyiv. The object is the oldest stone-made building of the Kyivan Rus period in Eastern Europe.

Useyn Bekirov: “Jazz is the music of the people. It has a place for Crimean Tatar sound”.

Ukrainian biathlete recognized as Europe's best young athlete. Dmytrenko won historical gold medal of Winter Youth Olympics for Ukraine.

Ukrainian swimmer Andrii Hovorov wins gold, Ukrainian gymnast takes all 5 gold medals from France, and Ukrainians win fencing swords world cup.

Another Ukrainian woman conquers Everest. Ukrainian flag is raised over the world's highest peak for the second time.

In July, a Ukrainian female team will complete the famous men-only Tour de France bicycle race.

Left: Vrubel and Symbolists exhibition open in Kyiv.

Right: Kyiv in WWII German photos.



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