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On being tired from being conscientious, an appeal to Europe Not one step further until Russia honors Donbas commitments

"To become exhausted from Ukraine" and to ignore Russia's crimes in Ukraine, and return to "business as usual" with Russia are being considered now as an offensively realistic option again. But this is a horrifying self-deception. Life in Europe has changed. One of the main reasons is the attempt of foreign aggression to disrupt the very values, sense and style of life in Europe. No attempt to hide in one's one home will return the previous comfort. [Full text of appeal to the European community](#). Signed by European and Ukrainian politicians and intellectuals.

Poroshenko: [Not one step further until Russia honors Donbas commitments](#).

President Poroshenko has accused Russia of [transforming Crimea into a "concentration camp"](#) and urged Western states to impose new sanctions on Moscow at the [Yalta European Strategy forum](#).

A [European court has partially upheld sanctions](#)

imposed on Ukraine's ousted former president, Yanukovich, his son, and the former head of the presidential administration Andriy Klyuyev.

[Elections to the Russian Parliament in occupied Crimea is illegitimate](#) – Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

No observers from international organizations detected in [elections to the State Duma in Crimea](#).

260 foreign ships identified as in [breach of international law for entering Crimea](#).

[Week in numbers](#): Ukraine received \$1 billion in a third loan tranche from the IMF. Paralympic Team Ukraine won a record total of 117 medals in Rio. Ukraine's defense budget in 2017 will amount to UAH 129 billion.

[StopFakeNews #100](#): two fake stories concerning the OSCE, inflated translations of a CNN story that makes Russia the key world player.

Left: ['West putting pressure on wrong side': 7 reasons to reject Steinmeier and Ayrault's offer](#).

Right: Ukraine has embarked on a [legal battle in a bid to return hundreds of artefacts lost after the illegal annexation of Crimea by Russia](#).



Ukraine's 2016 Paralympic success: What's the secret?

What helps and what prevents civil society from combatting corruption

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Paralympics 2016: how [Ukrainians fought their way into the Rio top three](#).

Advice instead of weapons? What will the [new American Adviser for Defense bring Ukraine](#).

[NATO won't do more than express concern](#) if Putin attacks another former Soviet republic. *Illarionov*.

The Power of People: [What helps and what prevents civil society](#) organizations from combatting

corruption in Ukraine. VoxUkraine Research

Debunking the [myth of vulnerable Russians](#) in eastern Ukraine – DW.

Russian policy in [Crimea is a colonization](#).

[Putin & Stalin both invaded to 'protect ethnic minorities'](#).

Russia [determined to expand influence](#) over former Soviet colonies.

Lethal aid for Ukraine way to resolve Donbas conflict

OSCE doesn't see Russian troops in Donbas

The only way [to end the conflict in Ukraine is to supply lethal weapons to Ukraine](#), according to Czech Republic's Jaromir Stetina, Member of the European Parliament, who paid a visit to Donbas.

OSCE monitors do not report on Russian troops in Donbas, because [those soldiers do not sport the Russian insignia on their uniform](#).

Two Ukrainians [released from militant captivity](#).

Sep 19. Ukraine reports [26 attacks in Donetsk region](#) in last day amid lull in Luhansk.

Sep 18. [30 Russian attacks](#), snipers active outside Donetsk, Mariupol. [Clashes near Russian embassy in Kyiv](#): building is cordoned by hundreds of policemen. [Svoboda party member detained](#) amid clashes near Russia embassy in Kyiv.

Sep 14. [Russian General Staff orders militants](#) to fully cease fire in Donbas.

Ukrainian counterintelligence: [Deputy chief of Staff](#)

[of ATO suspected of espionage](#).

Russian invaders delivered [six nuclear warheads to Crimea](#), - Dzhemilev.

Soviet tactics: [“DNR” and “LNR” “embassies” pop up in the EU](#).

This is [Russian-occupied Luhansk today](#). Goats graze weeds growing from cracks in the pavement near the robbed and abandoned Volkswagen dealership.

Database and video [overview of the Russian weaponry in the Donbas](#). InformNapalm.

Russia learns to fight in Donbas – [Combat drones and new artillery tactics](#). [Ukraine as testing range for new russian weaponry](#) and tactics.

Left: [Maimed Ukrainian hostage](#) finally exchanged by Kremlin-backed militants.

Right: [PACE resolutions ignored by Russia](#).



Russia and PACE resolutions: a report card		
How is Russia fulfilling the calls of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe?		
	YES	NO
Resolution 1990 (2014)		
Ensure that the rights of minorities in Crimea, in particular of Crimean Tatars and Ukrainians, are not violated.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 2034 (2015)		
Reverse the closure of the Crimean Tatar television channel, ATR.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Refrain from harassing, and putting pressure on, Crimean Tatar institutions and organisations.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Allow the return to Crimea for Mr Mustafa Dzhemilev and Mr Refat Chubarov.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Withdraw all its troops, including covert forces, from Ukrainian territory.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Give its full co-operation to the investigations into the downing of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure permanent Ukrainian/Russian control of their joint State border.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Release all hostages, prisoners of war and illegally held persons.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 2034 (2015)		
Fully implement the Minsk Agreements.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Immediately reverse the illegal annexation of Crimea.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
This is not the full list of calls expressed in PACE Resolutions and fully ignored by Russia		

Ukraine sanctions Russian judges over Sentsov, Kolchenko

Is escalating conflict over Crimea pretext for invasion or raising stakes?

Ukraine slaps [sanctions against Russian law-enforcers, judges over Sentsov, Kolchenko](#).

Ukraine's illegally [annexed Crimea votes in Russia's parliamentary elections](#).

Kremlin-backed militants [‘arrest’ teenagers as ‘Ukrainian saboteurs’](#). Russia openly collaborates with Donbas militants on [‘teenage saboteur’ arrests](#).

More details have emerged of [torture methods used](#) to obtain videoed ‘confessions’ from Ukrainians. Russia is holding incommunicado and accusing of ‘sabotage’ in Russian-occupied Crimea.

Russia's escalation of conflict with Ukraine over [Crimea: Pretext for invasion or raising stakes?](#)

Two Ukrainian universities flagships for open information

Government submits draft budget for 2017 on time

Government submits [draft budget for 2017](#) on time. [Yanukovich team's yet-to-be-confiscated \\$1.5 bln laid](#) in Ukraine Budget 2017.

Ukrainian Cabinet's economic outlook for [2017: 3% growth, 8% inflation](#). [European Commission projects Ukraine](#) GDP growth by 2% in 2016, 3% in 2017.

IMF approves [\\$1 billion loan for Ukraine](#) after one-year delay. IMF reduces \$1.7 bn tranche to \$1bn due to [Ukraine's slow anti-corruption effort](#).

[IMF Executive Board](#) completes the second review under EFF with Ukraine, approves US\$1 billion disbursement.

EU to allocate [EUR 600 mln to Ukraine if necessary laws adopted](#).

[World Communication Forum Davos](#) starts in Kyiv - Live stream.

National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy and Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute are

flagships in [Top-10 universities with most open information](#) – CEDOS research.

Ukraine will have [lost approximately \\$400 million worth of exports to Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan](#) by the end of 2016 due to Russia's restrictions on freight transit through its territory.

[Consumer basket-2016](#): difference from European minimum: every day a 100 g meat cutlet, 30 grams of fish, and half a glass of milk; four eggs per week. [How the life of Ukrainians has changed](#) economically compared to 25 years ago.

Trust is waning in Yuriy [Lutsenko's performance as prosecutor general](#). [He has failed to fire prosecutors accused of corruption](#) or bring any major corruption cases to trial.

Memory of [Gongadze honored](#) on Kyiv's Maidan Nezalezhnosti 16 years after his disappearance. ["Kuchma should ask for forgiveness from me and my children, sitting in the dock,"](#) - Myroslava Gongadze.

Left: Sweet icosahedrons: Ukrainian [confectioner creates geometric desserts](#).

Right: [Ukrainian-engined rocket puts two Google spacecraft](#) into orbit.



'Ukraine New Look' initiative to promote business, culture

Codeclub UA teaches kids programming

'Ukraine New Look': Brand-new initiative to promote Ukrainian business and culture abroad.

In January-July 2016, the amount of [capital investments in Ukraine](#) grew by almost 10%.

Lviv [IT school offers free online courses](#) to meet growing demand for specialists.

Ukrainian game analytics startup [Mobalytics wins](#)

[TechCrunch Disrupt](#).

US government fund [WNISEF to invest \\$5 million in Ukrainian IT startups](#).

Codeclub UA [teaches programming for kids](#).

[Horizon Capital becomes majority shareholder in Ukrainian telecom](#) operator.

Left:
[Quintuplets born in Odesa.](#)
photos (Ukr).

Right:
Ukraine's female [soldiers](#)
[launch new trend.](#)



Ukraine's Paralympic team finishes Rio Games with 117 medals Kyiv to host 2018 Champions League European football final

Ukrainians win [silver and bronze at World Chess Olympiad.](#)

The [2018 Champions League European football final](#) will be held in Kyiv.

Ukraine's Paralympic team [finishes Rio Games with 117 medals.](#) Ukrainian athletes take the third

place in overall medal ranking. Bohodaiko swims to [Ukraine's 33rd gold, sets world record.](#)

Usyk, a 2012 boxing Olympic gold medalist from Ukraine, [won WBO cruiserweight champion title.](#)

A Spanish street artist gives a drab Kyiv train [a psychedelic makeover](#)

Left: [Air festival in Kyiv:](#) From hang gliders to AN-178.

Right: The Guardian adds [Kharkiv ropeway to world's best 10.](#)



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