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### **European Parliament: Russia must keep out of Ukraine.**

Russia tries ruining Ukraine's image ahead of Dutch referendum

President Petro Poroshenko warned Ukrainian politicians that the collapse of the Minsk agreements could set off a "full-scale conflict" with Russia. <a href="http://goo.gl/jRtaaM">http://goo.gl/jRtaaM</a>

Ukraine levies \$3.5 bln fine on Russia's Gazprom. <a href="http://goo.gl/ljsKdR">http://goo.gl/ljsKdR</a>

European Parliament: Russia must keep out of Ukraine. MEP's pass resolution approving Ukraine's visa-free pact with EU. (Video) <a href="http://goo.gl/5TaW55">http://goo.gl/5TaW55</a>

Can kicking over constitutional reform in Ukraine. https://goo.gl/oX5lzw

The Moscow media flooded with portrayals of Belarus as an "enemy" of Russia, calling into question Belarusian sovereignty, and even threatening annexations of part or all of Belarus. <a href="http://goo.gl/E71Az7">http://goo.gl/E71Az7</a>

'Russia is interested in ruining Ukraine's image ahead of Dutch referendum' – Fedchenko, Kyiv-Mohyla School of Journalism director. (Video) <a href="http://goo.gl/KErnFs">http://goo.gl/KErnFs</a>

Fake: German government buys Czech prostitutes for refugees. More explanation of fake news from Russian media. <a href="http://goo.gl/NlySSk">http://goo.gl/NlySSk</a>; Fake Azov video tries to frame Ukraine prior to Dutch referendum. <a href="http://goo.gl/7Yq4ov">http://goo.gl/7Yq4ov</a>; Reaction to Provocation: Azov's lawyer discusses the fake video and its impact. <a href="http://goo.gl/uhrBsB">http://goo.gl/uhrBsB</a>

Maidan Museum is registered but has neither premises nor funding. <a href="http://goo.gl/W8QLVd">http://goo.gl/W8QLVd</a>

Two anniversaries of Soviet state terrorism – in Riga, Latvia 25 years ago and Baku, Azerbaijan 26 years ago – must not be forgotten. <a href="http://goo.gl/a5ymxO">http://goo.gl/a5ymxO</a>

Left: 30-meter Ukrainian flag unfurled in Kyiv for Unity Day. (Video) http://goo.gl/WerHSM Right: 2014, priest kneels in front of soldiers after Illovaisk battle.

https://goo.gl/R0yoD8





# 2016 Budget Package: What It Means for Ukraine's Economy

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The 2016 "budget package" approved by Ukraine's Parliament represents a step in the right direction, lowering salary taxes and redistributing resources from the public to the private sector. However, it should be viewed as just a first step forward. http://goo.gl/1CZsa1

Evolution of Ukrainian Economic Complexity: Jogging in Place. http://goo.gl/zsjdiB

The Russian Orthodox Church under Moscow Patriarch Kirill is ever less a religious organization and ever more one analogous with the Soviet Union Communist Party. http://goo.gl/5lnxsr

How I stopped worrying and learned to love Ukraine's system. <a href="http://goo.gl/ml4mg3">http://goo.gl/ml4mg3</a>

There is a huge gap between what we've been told in the UK about war in Ukraine and what is really happening here – British documentarian. http://goo.gl/clfwXi

Referendum in the Netherlands: Scenarios and implications for Ukraine and the EU. http://goo.gl/S8oudS

The Negativists are Wrong on Ukraine. A. Motyl. <a href="http://goo.gl/heUoef">http://goo.gl/heUoef</a>

#### Minefields kill 261, Wound 479

#### Occupied Donbas produces rocket launchers for Islamic State

Jan.25. Russia continues supplying militants. Special trains carrying military weaponry, combustible and lubrication materials and ammunition for militants arrived at Ilovaisk and Khartsyzk railway station. (Map) http://goo.gl/ueI7Mo

Jan.24. Ceasefire continues being broken in Donbas. http://goo.gl/sO8nG9

Jan.23. One killed, one wounded in Donbas as separatist fighters use banned weapons. http://goo.gl/9hZwhN

Minefields have killed 261, wounded 479. People living in the embattled Donbas face dangers from above and below. <a href="http://goo.gl/99YGgo">http://goo.gl/99YGgo</a>; UN's bomb squad begins clearing mines from Ukraine's frontline. (Video) http://goo.gl/YHRWk6

Russia blocks OSCE expanding Donbas border mission. Moscow uses uncontrolled frontier to

smuggle weapons and fighters. (Video) http://goo.gl/Ofpo6b

Poroshenko creates Office for Crimea De-Occupation. Work with IDPs, international relations on the agenda. http://goo.gl/Qj78xC

Russia prepares for a Crimean blockade at sea. http://goo.gl/Mu6Tr1

Evidence found that occupied Donbas produces Grad-P rocket launchers for Islamic State. http://goo.gl/brywMx

Ukrainians stranded in 'buffer zone' struggle to survive. Most of the residents rely on soldiers to bring them food supplies. http://goo.gl/1GxNFz

Kyiv's Boryspil Airport suffers cyber-attack; Russia blamed. http://goo.gl/H4RLpE

'5 Cyborgs': the inside story of the Battle for Donetsk Airport. Exclusive interviews with the

Left: Ukrainian pilot Savchenko held in Russia says she will passed. Judge declines evidence disproving charges against her. http://goo.gl/gkEevy

**Right: In Memory of the First** Maidan Victims.

http://goo.gl/ykrmIJ





### Russian-occupied Crimea court orders Tatar leader's arrest

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Former commander of pro-Russian separatists says he executed people based on Stalin-era laws. http://goo.gl/Pftldv; Praised on Russian radio for war crimes in Crimea & Donbas.

http://goo.gl/ZgFIA9; Russia refuses to extradite Crimean Tatar leader Mustafa Dzhemiliev's hostage son. http://goo.gl/Kv4EIh

Court in Russian-occupied Crimea orders arrest of Mustafa Dzhemiliev. http://goo.gl/jcC7Qc; http://goo.gl/DS8KEB

Report "28 prisoners of Kremlin" contains cases of Ukrainians imprisoned for political reasons in Russia and temporarily occupied Crimea. http://goo.gl/mn5zcb

Torture, drugs & forced psychiatric treatment: Soviet-style abuse of Russia's Ukrainian prisoners. http://goo.gl/Jw20T9

New surreal trial of Maidan activist in Russianoccupied Crimea. <a href="http://goo.gl/FQgAHy">http://goo.gl/FQgAHy</a>

Russia's register of Crimea UNESCO heritage sites under the spotlight. Ancient Tauric Chersonese ruins illegally added to Russia's list of natural heritage sites. http://goo.gl/Gvkkmz

Ukraine to file lawsuits in international courts over Crimea annexation in coming weeks. http://goo.gl/GE1MV7

### Ukraine's parliament faces long to-do list

Accelerating reforms after the holiday break

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January 4-22: Accelerating reforms after the holiday break. <a href="http://goo.gl/001jjo">http://goo.gl/001jjo</a>; Agriculture: Government cuts regulation, tax breaks for sector. Public Administration: Transparent public procurement will be mandatory as drive to decentralize government powers accelerates with elections. Defense & Security: Ukrainian soldiers to get pay hikes. Reforms watch: <a href="http://goo.gl/oy5v8o">http://goo.gl/oy5v8o</a>

"Mr. President, where are the changes in the country?" Vakarchuk. (Ukr) <a href="http://goo.gl/4V9hII">http://goo.gl/4V9hII</a>

Defense Ministry saves Hr 1 million on eprocurement of soldiers' rations. <a href="http://goo.gl/rKPWul">http://goo.gl/rKPWul</a>

Critics have dismissed President Poroshenko's rationale for not firing Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin as lacking credibility. http://goo.gl/vSkX8H

Local governments will soon rely mainly on property tax payments. <a href="http://goo.gl/x0wyHC">http://goo.gl/x0wyHC</a>

Cover-up suspected as Interpol website removes Yanukovych allies from wanted list. http://goo.gl/sz0ipo

Lack of convictions hinders Ukraine from recovering Yanukovych regime's stolen assets. Top prosecutor says 'no cases' have been sent to court against former top officials. http://goo.gl/cOrg1o

Ukraine's government loses millions of dollars in revenue a year due to tax evasion schemes. http://goo.gl/x9H1XO

Despite discrimination, Ukrainian women enlist in army. <a href="http://goo.gl/GPcTQk">http://goo.gl/GPcTQk</a>

Sensing Russian economic weakness, Ukraine has decided to push to get it all back: Crimea and East Ukraine. <a href="http://goo.gl/6sJaCD">http://goo.gl/6sJaCD</a>

What falling oil prices mean for Russia and

Left: Looksery – An app for editing photos and video in real time. Ukraine's top-10 startups of 2015.

http://goo.gl/pWX6xm

Right: Bloomberg ranks Ukraine among world's 50 most innovative economies.

http://goo.gl/MnQM0z









# Ukrainian startup cofounder tops Forbes '30 under 30'

Ukrainian-German startup brings smart approach to home heating

A Germany-based startup with roots in Ukraine is raising money for a new gadget it says will help save on heating bills across Europe. <a href="http://goo.gl/KuCVnd">http://goo.gl/KuCVnd</a> ; Ukrainian startup cofounder tops Forbes' 30 under 30 list. Ivan Pasichnyk's innovative project aims to reduce energy usage for households. <a href="http://goo.gl/bypv1H">http://goo.gl/bypv1H</a>

Business accelerator in Odesa trains startups, encourages innovators. <a href="http://goo.gl/ot90lc">http://goo.gl/ot90lc</a>

Meet the ambitious entrepreneurs hoping to take advantage of demand for smart devices. A special report uncovering Ukraine's technology startups with global ambitions. <a href="http://goo.gl/AfphWg">http://goo.gl/AfphWg</a>

Left: Celebrating the "Old New Year" with Malanka carnival in Ukraine. http://goo.gl/nIIUxx

Right: Sculptors in Lviv compete to create ice masterpieces. (Video) http://goo.gl/lfcAgQ





# A look inside Ukraine's biggest party

Kateryna Bondarenko's victory at the Australian Open

Kateryna Bondarenko defeated "seeded" Russian opponent. Ukrainian tennis player Kateryna Bondarenko celebrated her second victory at the Australian Open in Melbourne. http://goo.gl/pGWGDX

Bear costumes, dancing, donuts – National Geographic takes a look inside Ukraine's biggest party. <a href="http://goo.gl/wBGlJH">http://goo.gl/wBGlJH</a>

Brussels hosts Ukrainian Film Festival for the first time. <a href="http://goo.gl/81iX8D">http://goo.gl/81iX8D</a>

Left: Computer face recognition, helicopter, X-ray and 20 other Ukrainian inventions (Ukr) <a href="http://goo.gl/OrAS4H">http://goo.gl/OrAS4H</a>

Right: 5 unknown Ukrainian thermal resorts (photos, Ukr) http://goo.gl/6zwZJW





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