

## CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

## EuroMaidan Newsletter # 51

## Kyiv commemorates the year since start of Euromaidan protests

New Ukraine coalition seeks EU integration, sets NATO as a priority

A year ago one of the most unprecedented revolutions in Ukraine's history began. Here is how it unfolded via the most important videos of the revolution. http://goo.gl/yCDQh0

One in five Ukrainians took part in EuroMaidan. http://goo.gl/OLBGN6

The killing of more than 100 Ukrainians by the ousted president remains unpunished a year later, enraging those who took part in the Revolution of Dignity, which started on Nov. 21, 2013 when the government backed out of preparations for signing a major treaty with the European Union. <a href="http://goo.gl/vPAU5h">http://goo.gl/vPAU5h</a>

"The Heavenly Hundred through their deaths prevented the death of many other people. And Ukraine took a step forward. Thanks to such acts society consolidates and a nation emerges. Please note how we have united, regardless of origin or faith. We all say that we are Ukrainians" <a href="http://goo.gl/VP8JPc">http://goo.gl/VP8JPc</a>

Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko has compared the Holodomor of 1932-33 with the current war in Eastern Ukraine, saying the war is a continuation of imperial genocide against the Ukrainian people. <a href="http://goo.gl/XIrUQJ">http://goo.gl/XIrUQJ</a>

The 1923-33 Holodomor was preceded by more than 5000 protests against Soviet rule in Ukraine. The manmade famine took the lives of more than 4.5 million Ukrainians. On this

Holodomor Memorial Day, the Security Service of Ukraine (SBU) and Liberation Movement Research Centre released documents about Ukrainian protests during those years (Ukr, photos) <a href="http://www.cdvr.org.ua/node/2731">http://www.cdvr.org.ua/node/2731</a>; Electronic Archive (Ukr) <a href="http://avr.org.ua/">http://avr.org.ua/</a>

The SBU presented a book about the 1932-1933genocide of Ukrainians. <a href="http://goo.gl/hPIOa5">http://goo.gl/hPIOa5</a>

Dancing with Stalin. The Holodomor genocide famine in Ukraine. http://goo.gl/WJ8NgG

About the Holodomor. <a href="http://goo.gl/j9tmX6">http://goo.gl/j9tmX6</a>

Today, on Holodomor Memorial Day, we commemorate those who died of starvation during the great famine of 1932-1933. This post describes the treacherous path to the recognition of this grave crime and concludes that Ukraine must demand justice in the name of the dead and the living, and the unborn. <a href="http://goo.gl/8KxnyV">http://goo.gl/8KxnyV</a>

New Ukraine coalition formed, seeks EU integration, sets NATO as a priority. <a href="http://goo.gl/2DIsFQ">http://goo.gl/Y429dw</a>

Yatsenyuk says Kyiv won't talk to Moscow's 'mercenaries'. <a href="http://goo.gl/ZsqoXg">http://goo.gl/ZsqoXg</a>

November 22 – the tenth anniversary of the Orange Revolution. <a href="http://goo.gl/vGwlWL">http://goo.gl/vGwlWL</a>

Left: Nov 21. Kyiv, Maidan Nezalezhnosti. 1 year since EuroMaidan. More fotos <a href="http://goo.gl/t5d9Nt">http://goo.gl/t5d9Nt</a>; http://goo.gl/5gzNrN

Right: Nov 22. Rembering the up to 10 m people killed during the Holodomor . Photos

http://goo.gl/XvC0mD





### Are the Baltic States in danger?

Opinion: Proper Response to Kremlin is to Make Ukraine a NATO Member Now. <a href="http://goo.gl/4rohqg">http://goo.gl/4rohqg</a>

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Vladimir Putin: we must stop a Ukraine-style 'coloured revolution' in Russia. http://goo.gl/QHXIYt

Before Ukraine Can Be Reformed, It Must Be Defended. When Hitler Invaded Poland, No One Demanded Polish Reforms Before Offering Help. Why Is It the Reverse for Ukraine? <a href="http://goo.gl/zVMZJv">http://goo.gl/zVMZJv</a>

The "Heroic Humanism" of the Maidan. <a href="http://goo.gl/bP4eZJ">http://goo.gl/bP4eZJ</a>

"The price of pricelessness – Europe, Ukraine and Maidan."

Yuriy Andrukhovych at the opening of the Vienna International Book Exhibition, Nov 12, 2014. <a href="http://goo.gl/8xZUpy">http://goo.gl/8xZUpy</a>

My Maidan: a tribute to the revolution that changed us forever. http://goo.gl/3vZrje; http://goo.gl/LzzRQd

For Ukraine, it's either now or never. With war, a grave economic crisis and political deadlock all happening at the same time, the need for rapid change has never been more acute. The country will either reform its corrupt Soviet ways or falter. http://goo.gl/u3lXTp

Compared to what Ukraine's previous governments have accomplished in the past 25 years, Kyiv's proposed reforms may be borderline amazing. Still, there's much left to do. <a href="http://goo.gl/bk4CWw">http://goo.gl/bk4CWw</a>

### Fighting kills 13 people a day during "cease-fire"

### Russia's Igor Strelkov claims responsibility for unleashing War in Ukraine

Nov 24. Situation in the Eastern Regions of Ukraine. See map at <a href="http://goo.gl/lLKqYw">http://goo.gl/lLKqYw</a>

Nov 20. Latest from OSCE Special Monitoring Mission (SMM) to Ukraine. http://goo.gl/o8BCcp

Dmitry Tymchuk: About the "independent" and "objective" OSCE observers from Russia. <a href="http://goo.gl/9mH2Yh">http://goo.gl/9mH2Yh</a>

"I spent 7 days in a death row cell": the story of a woman captured by the DNR terrorists. <a href="http://goo.gl/L7MxDp">http://goo.gl/L7MxDp</a>

The United Nations says fighting in eastern Ukraine has killed an average of 13 people a day since a cease-fire between government forces and pro-Russian rebels was signed on September 5. <a href="http://goo.gl/mME8m7">http://goo.gl/mME8m7</a>

National Security and Defense Council: the shelling of Ukrainian Army positions from Russia been reported yet again. <a href="http://goo.gl/RLCL6b">http://goo.gl/RLCL6b</a>; Russia openly bringing military cargos onto Ukrainian territory <a href="http://goo.gl/M8O9SA">http://goo.gl/M8O9SA</a>

U.S. increasing non-lethal military aid to Ukraine. <a href="http://goo.gl/erSRis">http://goo.gl/erSRis</a>

Ukraine's "second front". Russia's hidden intelligence and subversive war against Ukraine transfers hostilities from the Eastern borders to the EU doorstep. The purpose is to scare Europe by showing Ukraine as a state that is a threat rather

than an ally of the West, and cities beloved by European tourists such as Lviv and Odesa as places where their lives are in danger. <a href="http://goo.gl/tD8sYw">http://goo.gl/tD8sYw</a>

More than 24 after-shots were fired at OSCE monitors in territory controlled by Ukrainian forces. The OSCE is hesitant to assign blame. http://goo.gl/oyNHu8

"Here They Are - Our Heroes. Just From Hell. They Are Very Tired". 'Cyborg' fighters rotated from Donetsk Airport. See photos at <a href="http://goo.gl/K5lvjh">http://goo.gl/K5lvjh</a>

"Thank you, thank you, thank you!" to Canada Ukraine Foundation's Rainbow Medical Team, which completed 37 complex surgeries. http://goo.gl/3mBjkI

Igor Girkin, the one-time "defense minister" of the self-proclaimed Donetsk People's Republic, has said that he and his squad of Russian special services soldiers started the war in east Ukraine. http://goo.gl/sUDmGI; http://goo.gl/z0UIId

Around 80% of Russians believe that Ukraine, on the one hand, and the USA and western countries, on the other, are waging an information war against Russia. Only 12% often read information which gives a version of events in Ukraine which differs greatly from that on Russian television and other federal media. <a href="http://goo.gl/4Rt2Cg">http://goo.gl/4Rt2Cg</a>

Left: United colors of Ukraine. Logos for Ukrainian cities made by the Ukrainian artist Andriy Yermolenko.

http://goo.gl/cALqlM

Right: November 2013 – first days of EuroMaidan. Watch the short video "EuroMaidan. Winter. Spring. Summer." at http://goo.gl/vaz8el





# **Human Rights Watch releases damning report on Crimea Moscow writes its own history of Crimea**

"Rights in Retreat - Abuses in Crimea" from Nov 17, 2014. The report covers the persecution of Crimean Tatars and Pro-Ukrainian Activists; harassment of Pro-Ukraine and Crimean Tatar Media Outlets; and imposition of Russian Citizenship in Crimea. http://goo.gl/zgpg1n; http://goo.gl/w3jcqj

Crimea: occupation officials in full denial mode on Human Rights Watch report. <a href="http://goo.gl/bDLCoe">http://goo.gl/bDLCoe</a>

Ethnic raids in the Crimea. http://goo.gl/DGC0Ou

Continuing attack on Crimean Tatar Mejlis and Crimea Foundation. <a href="http://goo.gl/8sU2w0">http://goo.gl/8sU2w0</a>

Moscow writes its own history of Crimea. http://goo.gl/a63wR9

Social explosions loom over occupied Donbas territories. Local population protesting against the scarcity of food, medicine, money. <a href="http://goo.gl/0ji9dC">http://goo.gl/0ji9dC</a>

A Resident Of Gorlovka Says Separatists Have Brought "Hunger, Suffering and Destruction" <a href="http://goo.gl/0XXCH5">http://goo.gl/0XXCH5</a>

How Putin showed himself to the world through the war in Ukraine. <a href="http://goo.gl/u37zBR">http://goo.gl/u37zBR</a>

Russian authorities are still citing the state secrets act or medical confidentiality to avoid telling the truth about soldiers, conscripts, killed in fighting in Ukraine. <a href="http://goo.gl/IC4jak">http://goo.gl/IC4jak</a>

### Coalition agreement signed by leading political parties

### Russia creates obstacles to implementing EU Association Agreement

Five political parties elected on Oct. 26 to Ukraine's parliament have signed a coalition agreement bringing the country closer to the West and committing it to pursuing European Union integration and NATO membership. <a href="http://goo.gl/1vuvpJ">http://goo.gl/1vuvpJ</a>

Coalition agreement outlines energy reform. <a href="http://goo.gl/0BDH0M">http://goo.gl/0BDH0M</a>

Almost 60% of the population of Ukraine expects changes for the better as a result of the early Verkhovna Rada elections. Poroshenko and Yatseniuk received positive ratings. <a href="http://goo.gl/9rHCeN">http://goo.gl/9rHCeN</a>

Statistics of new parliament composition: 11% are women. 56% new to Verkhovna Rada. <a href="http://goo.gl/7b0Xsn">http://goo.gl/7b0Xsn</a>

Hours before a potentially critical visit by U.S. Vice President Joseph Biden to Kyiv, Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk moved to dispel persistent rumours of political discord between himself and President Petro Poroshenko. <a href="http://goo.gl/AAi8UJ">http://goo.gl/AAi8UJ</a>

President Poroshenko signed the EU Association Agreement and promised to reform the country according to the Agreement. Unfortunately, Moscow's attempt to suspend the launch of the free-trade zone was successful. The most important part of the agreement will not come into effect until the beginning of 2016. <a href="http://goo.gl/5aElko">http://goo.gl/5aElko</a>

Why are political leaders from both the People's Front (NF) and Petro Poroshenko bloc (PPB) both eager to include Oleh Liashko's Radical Party into the new parliamentary coalition, knowing that it is a virtual political "party" funded by the former President Viktor Yanukovych's Chief of Staff, Serhiy Leyovochkin. <a href="http://goo.gl/Kj8SYw">http://goo.gl/Kj8SYw</a>

The Kremlin is responsible for the Donbas humanitarian crisis - Yatseniuk. <a href="http://goo.gl/K4nkdv">http://goo.gl/K4nkdv</a>

The Ukrainian economy: the trap of recession. <a href="http://goo.gl/OC64tv">http://goo.gl/OC64tv</a>

The first hundred days: solving two crises with one policy step. <a href="http://goo.gl/WcLZmZ">http://goo.gl/WcLZmZ</a>

Supporters of the recent lustration law have slammed the decision by Ukraine's Supreme Court to seek judgment on the law's constitutionality <a href="http://goo.gl/IJX1rg">http://goo.gl/IJX1rg</a>

by the regime during Maidan

Economic crisis



Left: 10 films about Maidan and where to see them (text Ukr, films Eng, Ukr) http://goo.gl/S08TER

Right: A year after EuroMaidan. See best photos at <a href="http://goo.gl/e0Tvcs">http://goo.gl/e0Tvcs</a>; <a href="http://goo.gl/boOLzQ">http://goo.gl/boOLzQ</a>



### **Interactive Maidan Museum uses art to teach revolution**

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Music as resistance: melodies that accompanied Maidan. (Videos, text in Rus) <a href="http://goo.gl/f6nahS">http://goo.gl/f6nahS</a>

Something worth fighting for. <a href="http://goo.gl/47pFxl">http://goo.gl/47pFxl</a>

The image of today's Odesa is a product of a variety of ethnic, social and professional groups you wouldn't have seen often elsewhere in Ukraine: Ukrainian writers and Italian architects; Ukrainian chumaks; the old-time salt traders and Jewish merchants; Ukrainian sailors and French designers; Ukrainian Cossacks and Russian officials; Ukrainian scholars and Polish

revolutionaries; Ukrainian students and Greek entrepreneurs; as well as profiteers, port coachmen band, and policemen with no distinct ethnic origin. One thing they all had in common was freedom of spirit, ideas and actions. <a href="http://goo.gl/MCxUvH">http://goo.gl/MCxUvH</a>

"Povodyr" (The Guide), Oles Sanin's drama about the inter-war period and Soviet persecution of Ukrainian folk musicians goes into wide screening and has been nominated for an Oscar. Read more at <a href="http://goo.gl/WwGXx7">http://goo.gl/WwGXx7</a>; Watch trailer at <a href="http://goo.gl/hkiG4K">http://goo.gl/hkiG4K</a>

Left: Series of Euromaidan stickers.

http://goo.gl/csWU1B

Right: Canadian women call "Stand with Ukraine" (Video) <a href="http://goo.gl/JXkj18">http://goo.gl/JXkj18</a>





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