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### EU approves Ukraine's adoption of legislation to establish anti-corruption court The Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline is the Kremlin's Trojan horse

[EU approves Ukraine's adoption of legislation to establish anti-corruption court.](#) The anti-corruption court is a key component of the EU-Ukraine association agreement.

[US Senate approves \\$250M](#) for Ukraine's defense.

[US Navy Destroyer entered the Black Sea.](#)

The [Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline is the Kremlin's Trojan horse](#) aimed against European energy and, ultimately, geopolitical security.

Leaked document: [Putin lobbied Trump on arms](#)

[control](#) – POLITICO.

[Manafort deputy details delinquent Ukraine payments;](#) defense accuses him of multiple affairs.

[Manafort offered services to Poroshenko in 2014,](#) but was rejected – MP Hryniv.

List 672 – [Identification data of Russians involved in the aggression against Georgia](#) in August 2008.

[Mothers helpless as Russia risks the lives of three Ukrainian political prisoners on hunger strike.](#) From left: Oleg Sentsov, Volodymyr Balukh, Oleksandr Shumkov



### Rules for peacetime don't work when you're at war for national survival New US anti-Russian sanctions will limit Russia's capability to create new weapons

[Rules for peacetime don't work](#) when you're at war for national survival.

[Controversial tour.](#) What effects will the American President's recent visits have on global affairs?

New U.S. anti-Russian [sanctions will limit Russia's capability to create new weapons](#) to be used against Ukraine.

Could Putin's [pseudo-"Cossacks" on the Belarusian border](#) become 'the little green men' of Belarus?

[Russia's private military companies a more toxic form of Latin American death squads,](#) Pastukhov says.

Putin's [Russia has a social pyramid like the oriental despotism it is,](#) Eidman says.

[Ten years after the Russian-Georgian war:](#) the Kremlin's unlearned lessons.

The Russian [war against Georgia is far from over.](#)

Kyiv needs [to help Ukrainian tourists abroad be independent of Russians.](#)

[Stop building the nation, start modernizing it](#) – Ukrainian history Prof. Hrytsak.

[What are Ukrainians thinking about?](#) Professor Haran explains.

## OSCE spots 4 electronic warfare systems in Russia-occupied area

### Sea of troubles: Azov emerging as 'Tinderbox' in Russia-Ukraine conflict

The number of [ceasefire violations in Donbas increased by 63 per cent](#) last week – OSCE SMM.

Russian [occupation forces bringing heavy weapons and ammunition to Donbas during 'harvest truce'](#) - OSCE SMM.

[OSCE spots four electronic warfare systems](#) in Russia-occupied Luhansk area: "All seen for the first time". [OSCE SMM withheld information about Russian EW systems](#) in Donbas for two weeks.

Sea of Troubles: [Azov emerging as 'Tinderbox' in Russia-Ukraine conflict](#).

Ukraine's Deputy Minister for the Temporarily Occupied Territories: [Use of force to unlock Azov Sea situation](#) among possible scenarios.

The official European monitoring mission in eastern Ukraine has for the first time posted [video footage showing convoys of trucks crossing from Russia into Ukraine and from Ukraine into Russia](#)

[through a back road that has no border guards](#).

[Russia deliberately prolongs the conflict in Donbas](#) – Volker.

[Canadian sniper rifle maker signs weapons deal](#) with Ukraine. PGW Defence Technologies confirms \$1 million CAD agreement for long-range sniper rifles.

In review: [Ilovaik battle in 2014 becomes turning point](#) in Donbas war.

UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine [releases report on Ilovaik events](#).

The [Issues and goals of the Canadian training mission in Ukraine](#) and why it is valuable not only for Ukrainians but also for Canadians with Operation UNIFIER Commander Lieutenant Colonel Fraser Auld.

Five days of war: [the fate of war veterans](#).

Left: Russian [occupiers continue to destroy the history and culture](#) of Crimean Tatars. (Carlo Bossoli. Tatar Dance)

Right: The Russian Ombudsperson gave Ukrainian colleague [photos of the Kremlin's prisoner Sentsov](#) from the detention centre.



## 'Rapid actions needed' to save Sentsov

### 70 percent of Crimean steppes can no longer be used due to drought

Ukrainian [filmmaker on 87th day of hunger strike in Russian prison writes that the "end is near"](#).

Ukrainian Ombudswoman says "[rapid actions needed](#)" to save Sentsov.

Banner [in support of Ukrainian political prisoner Sentsov](#) appeared in the center of Moscow.

[Appeal against Sushchenko's sentence](#) to be considered on September 12.

From prisoner to hero and back: [Will Kostenko follow in Savchenko's steps?](#)

[70 percent of Crimean steppes can no longer be used](#) due to drought.

[Director of Crimean Tatar drama theater in Crimea dismissed](#) despite staff protest.

Russia [imprisons Crimean Tatar philanthropist on an openly absurd pretext](#).

Back in the USSR: [Russia uses Soviet methods to jam Ukrainian media](#) in occupied Crimea.

[Imprisoned in Russia-backed Donetsk 'republic'](#) for not abandoning her elderly mother.

## IMF engagement still key as Ukraine makes macro progress

### Agriculture was the most profitable sector in 2017

Week's balance: inflation declining, railways waving good-bye to Russia, and farmers set on volumes of grain exports.

Fitch Ratings: [IMF engagement still key as Ukraine makes macro progress](#).

[NABU investigates 72 e-declaration cases](#). The cases are mainly against members of parliament and judges.

[Agriculture was the most profitable sector](#) of the Ukrainian economy in 2017.

Criminal [proceedings against Kharkiv city mayor Hennadiy Kernes](#) have been closed.

[Yanukovich's lobbyist arrested for attempt to give \\$200,000 bribe](#) to prosecutor.

Kyiv [Court of Appeal leaves MP Savchenko in custody](#) until Sept 7.

Left: [Police suspected of involvement in horrific acid attack on Ukrainian civic activist Kateryna Handziuk](#).

Right: [Plant for production of solar panels](#) to be built in Ukraine



## Austrian company to build wind farms

### Two US non-profits to support Ukrainian fintech startups

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[Austrian company to build wind farms](#) in Kherson region.

[Boeing-Antonov contract](#) could revive Ukraine's air industry.

[Exports of Ukrainian apples increase](#). The largest importers are Belarus, Moldova, and Austria.

Ukraine's e-commerce giants [Rozetka, EVO Group](#) plan to merge.

How a Ukrainian consultant built a [bridge between Ukrainian startups and UK investors](#).

Left: [Traditional Hutsul wedding in the Carpathians](#) (photo report)  
Right: [Ukrainian Hryshchenko wins European Youth Rapid & Blitz Championship 2018](#)



## Rock band Motanka wins at music festival in Germany Lomachenko named BWAA's pound-for-pound king

Ukrainian [rock band Motanka wins second place at music festival in Germany](#).

Lomachenko named [BWAA's pound-for-pound king](#).

Spirit of Ukraine [festival to be held in suburbs of London](#) in September.

Rivne region boasts most mystical place in Ukraine: [Tarakaniv Fort](#).

[Swimmer Romanchuk wins second gold medal](#) at European Championships.

Left: [Ukraine wins fifth medal in synchronized swimming](#) at European Championships  
Right: [Women skydivers from many countries set world records in Kharkiv](#)



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