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Kremlin's plans to destabilize Ukrainian regions in November

Ukrainian human rights group turns forty

Ukraine to <u>sue Russia for illegal extraction of</u> resources in Black Sea.

Ukraine submits <u>draft resolution on Crimea to UN</u>, Russia expected to oppose.

The course towards <u>Ukraine joining the European</u> <u>Union is supported by 46% of Ukrainian citizens</u>, while Ukraine joining the Customs Union with Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kirgizia and Armenia is backed by only 13%.

Russia's <u>security council chief apologizes for plot</u> in Montenegro.

Security Service of Ukraine reveals <u>Kremlin's plans</u> to influence <u>Ukrainian regions</u> in November-December using decentralization. Russia plots provocations to trigger early parliamentary elections

in Ukraine.

<u>Bulgaria is mirroring the Russian model</u> with a "new nobility" of post-communist oligarchs.

The <u>Russian military command is responsible</u> for sending a Buk missile system to militant-controlled territory in Donbas, which was later used to down MH17 flight.

Ukrainian <u>human rights group that helped bring</u> <u>down Soviet Union</u> turns 40.

StopFakeNews #108 with political analyst Michael Getto. Among the disinformation: claims that Ukraine is recruiting mercenaries from Croatia, a prominent ballet dancer is a Nazi, and Russian media warns of new language tensions and protests ahead in Ukraine.



Can Trump's victory become a chance for Ukraine? For Putin, Trump is not an end in himself, but a means to weaken the US

How Kyiv can make <u>Trump's victory become a</u> chance for Ukraine.

For Putin, Trump is not an end in himself, but a means to weaken the US and the West.

Russia <u>desperately looking for reasons to persuade</u> <u>the West to mitigate sanctions</u>, - Chubarov on FSB's report about "Ukrainian saboteurs".

VoxCheck of Valeriya Hontareva. Where is the ead of the Ukrainian Central Bank wrong?

<u>The minimum wage</u>: The past of the noble idea and its uncertain present. Prime Minister Volodymyr Groysman surprised everyone with an initiative to double the minimum wage – up to 3200 UAH – in 2017.

How the Ukrainian-Polish partnership can pass the test of history. <u>Ukrainian-Polish relations have a</u> truly strategic dimension.

<u>Ukraine fears falling victim to Trump-Putin 'grand</u> <u>bargain'</u>. Kyiv concerned US will cede 'sphere of influence' to Moscow in effort to improve ties.

Russian military equipment flooding into eastern Ukraine

UN: 600,000 residents of Donbas have no access to food

Nov 14. Militants were shelling Ukrainian positions in Stanytsia Luhanska over <u>three hours non-</u> <u>stop</u>.(Map)

Nov 11. <u>Twelve unnamed Ukrainian soldiers buried</u> <u>in Dnipro</u> (Photos)

Russia-backed <u>militants continued violating</u> <u>ceasefire on a daily basis</u> across the entire frontline.

<u>New batch of reinforcement for militants arrives</u> from Russia.

Six Ukrainian soldiers killed in Donbas within last week.

Russian military equipment flooding into eastern Ukraine. Volunteer video shows Russian supplies arriving on freight trains.

OSCE reports sharp <u>increase in fighting with 7,000</u> <u>ceasefire violations</u> last week. UN: <u>600,000 residents of Donbas have no access to</u> <u>food</u>.

The Aftermath of War#5: <u>Stories that need to be</u> <u>told. Ruslan Frizin</u> is a big, burly man, but extremely soft-spoken with a childlike smile and a deeply patriotic heart.

The "Ukroboronprom", a Ukrainian state-held defense industry concern, revealed their <u>new assault</u> <u>rifle "Maliuk"</u> ("the kid"), a significant modernization of the AK-74.

Russia arrests 10 people on suspicion of terrorism.

Kremlin-backed militants claim that they have arrested 6 people responsible for the explosion that killed Arseny Pavlov ['Motorola'], the Russian mercenary wanted by Ukraine for war crimes in Donbas.

Ukraine <u>reconstructs strategic bridges</u> wrecked by Donbas militants.



100,000 Muslims flee Russian-occupied regions of Ukraine

10 years in prison for being librarian

100,000 <u>Muslims have fled Russian-occupied</u> regions of Ukraine.

A <u>library director accused of 'inciting ethnic hatred'</u> <u>faces 10 years</u> behind bars as a result of a witch hunt against extremism.

Russia holds Ukrainian hostages thousands of

kilometers from their families.

Russia makes new <u>'Crimean Saboteur' arrests' with</u> old Right Sector card as 'proof'.

Ukraine says <u>Russian claims of arrest of saboteurs</u> in Crimea are fake.

Fitch raises Ukraine's credit rating

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Ukraine sees 1.8% GDP growth in Q3 year-on-year.

Ukraine inflation accelerates to 12.4%.

The biggest achievements of the Ukrainian reforms (as of November 2016). In spite of huge resistance, Ukrainian reforms do produce tangible results and civil society will continue to push for these changes to become irreversible.

<u>Saakashvili launches 'New Force' political party</u> in Ukraine.

Two close allies in Ukraine of Georgia's former

<u>President Mikheil Saakashvili have resigned</u> from their posts.

Government gives <u>green light for production of</u> <u>nuclear fuel</u> in Ukraine.

European Investment Bank helps Ukraine improve its transport infrastructure.

Over \$1 billion remains in Yanukovych and Azarov's accounts held by Oshchadbank.

Court <u>seizes Ukraine's most lavish mansion -</u> premises of Yanukovych's residence near Kyiv.

Work has begun to <u>move a giant shield over</u> <u>Chernobyl</u> in Ukraine.

Potential <u>gas reserves in Ukraine estimated at 5.6</u> <u>trillion cubic meters</u>, says vice prime minister.

Left: Kyiv's <u>new cafes are</u> <u>worth</u> a visit. Right: Regata Club: <u>Ukraine's male underwear</u> <u>popular far bevond the</u> <u>country's boundaries</u>, story about Ukrainian excombatants who open businesses after returning to peaceful life.



eSilk Road to help attract investments to Ukraine

Malevich and Ukraine: bringing the artist back to the nation

Online platform <u>eSilk Road</u> was designed for countries participating in the Silk Road and will allow Ukrainian projects to attract investments.

Belgium technology firms love Ukrainian developers – but not enough to move here.

The exhibition "Malevich: beyond the canvas" makes it clear that <u>Malevich is not a Russian, but a</u> <u>Ukrainian artist</u>.

<u>Innovation, technology, the future – an</u> <u>international exhibition</u> in Kyiv.

Regata Club: <u>Ukraine's male underwear popular far</u> <u>beyond the country's boundaries</u>. Another story about Ukrainian ex-combatants who open businesses after returning to a peaceful life.

Bootstrapping Ukraine's tech revolution, one startup at a time.

Left: An artist from the city of Rivne <u>sewed a</u> <u>unique art book with</u> <u>Ivan Franko's poems</u> as a tribute to the writer.

Right: "<u>Kviv fashionmongers of early 20th</u> century cared more about cleanness of their outfits than about war"



The controversy of Kyiv murals Ukraine's seven best historical cities and small towns

Ukraine's seven best historical cities and small towns have been chosen within the all-Ukrainian cultural and educational project - <u>Seven Wonders</u> of Ukraine.

A monument to "granny of 30 kings" inaugurated in Kyiv. A <u>statue of Kyivan Rus princess Anna</u> <u>Yaroslavna, the wife of French king Henry I</u>, was unveiled in Kyiv center.

The <u>controversy of Kyiv murals</u>. To like or not to like: two different opinions on numerous murals in Ukrainian capital.

Forced out of Crimea, <u>Tatar restaurant finds</u> solidarity among Kyiv diners.





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