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# **EuroMaidan Newsletter # 319**

## White House extends Russia sanctions

**Disinformation targets Latvia** 

White House extends Russia sanctions over Ukraine situation for one year.

<u>Truth Justice, Reconciliation Commission</u>: Russia/Ukraine/EU. 36 proposals for peace between Ukraine & Russia.

Legal battle: <u>How Ukraine sues Russia in international courts</u>.

Start of the <u>campaign against Russian historical</u> revisionism and militarism. Sanctions on the spotlight: <u>Disinformation targets</u> <u>Latvia</u>.

<u>StopFakeNews</u> with Marko Suprun (No. #274). Fake: Ukraine has not complied with the Minsk Agreements for five years. Sea Breeze 2020 military exercises are a means to pressure Moscow. US creates international sect to support terrorists.

Left: Servants of the People or "Little Russian valets". <u>Zelenskyy party on course for the "Russian world</u>" Right: Growing support for the <u>#StopPutinsParade campaign</u>



## The coming economic crisis

High hopes and (dis)-heartening outcomes

<u>The coming crisis</u>. More and more signals are indicating that, after four years of renewed growth, Ukraine could be facing an economic downturn in 2020.

<u>Ten steps to boost Ukraine's economic growth in</u> <u>2020</u>. Ukraine has reported positive, albeit modest, economic growth consistently over the past 15 quarters. It is now time to demonstrate accelerated economic growth.

<u>High hopes and (dis)-heartening outcomes</u>. Who's to party in 2020 – the Euro-Atlantic community, Ukraine and Georgia, or Russia?

### Pentagon signs contract for Javelin production for Ukraine

Russia controlling 400 km of border in Donbas

Mar.02. <u>11 enemy attacks in past day</u>: one Ukrainian soldier killed, seven wounded. Russianled forces in Donbas <u>shell residential buildings in</u> <u>Krasnohorivka</u>.

Pentagon signs contract for Javelin production for Ukraine.

<u>Germany allocates EUR 4 mln for Red Cross</u> activities in Ukraine.

Ukrainian military conduct <u>large-scale drills to</u> work out repelling amphibious assault on Azov <u>Sea coast</u> – JFO HQ.

Zelenskyy: the <u>war will end in Donbas but peace</u> <u>will come after Crimea is back</u>.

#### The week in Russia: 'a specific disorder of the

mind'. President Vladimir Putin suggested that Russia and Ukraine should unite, seeming to ignore the six-year war and gloss over Kremlin actions that make even the notion of substantial cooperation seem highly improbable for the foreseeable future. Days later, Putin's former point man on Ukraine unleashed a provocative diatribe in which he claimed that the country does not exist.

Ukraine <u>at OSCE: Russia controlling 400 km of</u> <u>border in Donbas</u>. Russia's maintenance of high level of violence in Donbas is possible only because the Russian Federation alone controls more than 400 km of Ukraine-Russia border.

Ex-commander of Aidar Battalion, former MP Serhiy <u>Melnychuk detained in Greece on Russia's</u> <u>warrant</u>.

Some <u>70% of Ukrainians note lack of success</u> of in resolving Donbas conflict - KIIS opinion poll.

Saving Corporal the canine, Ukraine's dog of war. When Ukrainian soldiers found a stray dog during their war with Russia-backed separatists, they took him in and called him Corporal.

Zolote residents in Donbas: We're caught inbetween warring sides: "Bang!" – a shell is flying over our heads. We constantly wonder which "bang" will eventually hit us.



#### Ukraine's Crimean Tatar TV asks EU for money to stay afloat CrimRussia uses trial by fake secret witnesses to imprison Tatars

Ukraine's <u>Crimean Tatar TV asks EU for money</u> to stay afloat.

<u>Ukraine's water blockade of Crimea should stay</u>, because it's working.

Russia uses trial by <u>fake secret witnesses to</u> <u>imprison Crimean Tatars</u>. Russia <u>seeks record sentence against Ukrainian</u> Jehovah's Witness in occupied Crimea.

Russia's oldest 72 y.o. Ukrainian hostage gets <u>12-year sentence for "making Ukraine his</u> <u>priority</u>".

### Ukraine's judicial reform stumbles

Journalists face criminal charges for probing Ukraine police head

<u>Resignation of the Prime Minister, opinion</u> <u>polling, boycott the military parade in Russia</u> and more – uacrisis weekly update on Ukraine #8, 24 February – 01 March.

<u>Week's balance</u>: Coronavirus provoking global financial crisis, Zelenskyy promises miners to pay off wage arrears, while government submitted plan to support key industries.

Former Ukrainian President Petro <u>Poroshenko</u> <u>has called on his successor V. Zelenskyy to stop</u> <u>"persecuting" the opposition</u> and instead carry out his presidential duties.

Zelenskyy urged to stop the sabotage of judicial reform in Ukraine.

Ukraine's judicial reform stumbles with odd Constitutional Court rulings.

Ukrainian <u>public broadcaster has all accounts</u> <u>frozen</u> by Ministry of Justice.

"Home": Ukraine presents <u>state channel for</u> occupied territories.

Zelenskyy calls extraordinary parliamentary

session to discuss corruption.

NBU Deputy Governor Dmytro Solohub: <u>Most of</u> <u>IMF requirements for a new program have been</u> <u>met</u>. And work on prior actions that have not yet been completed is almost finished.

<u>iMore  $N_{2126}$ </u>. New law on higher education and protection of land ownership.

Some <u>83% of Ukrainians don't see govt's success</u> <u>in fight against corruption</u> in highest echelons of power - KIIS opinion poll.

Opposition Platform <u>MP Korolevska forced out</u> of meeting in Lviv as she refuses to name Russia aggressor.

Fifteen percent of Ukrainians would support land market launch on referendum.

Journalists face <u>criminal charges for probing</u> <u>Ukraine police head's unexplained assets</u>.

<u>Hacktivists of #SurkovLeaks stop helping</u> Ukrainian government after police raid.

Left: <u>Who is behind</u> the campaign to <u>discredit Maidan</u> and turn its victims into perpetrators? Right: Ukrainian startup invents world's <u>first smart</u> <u>food container</u>, crowdfunds \$90,000



## IT companies can hire 5,000 foreigners under new rules

Reddit opens R&D office in Ukraine.

Most Ukrainian <u>small business entrepreneurs</u> <u>consider economic situation unfavourable</u>.

Cabinet of Ministers: <u>IT companies can hire 5,000</u> foreigners under simplified rules.

Ukrainian startup <u>Respeecher raises investments.</u> <u>Its technology changes voices</u>. Ukrainian <u>biodegradable bags for garbage and</u> <u>shopping available</u> for purchase now.

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Ukrainian <u>Na'Vi wins the CS:GO championship</u> with a reward of \$250,000.



### Why Ukrainians care so much about their capital's spelling New Ukrainian cartoon selected at Europe's Cartoon Movie

<u>Ukrainian cooperative movement in Galicia</u>: Narodna Torhovlia in early 1920s.

<u>Kyiv, Not Kiev</u>. Why Ukrainians care so much about their capital's spelling. (Video)

New Ukrainian cartoon selected at Europe's

Left: Kyiv is among 10 of the world's best city views: readers' travel tips. (The Guardian)

Right: <u>Boykos</u>: The silent inhabitants of the Carpathians





Cartoon Movie. The feature-length film Trouble

Nubble Gum is the only Ukrainian cartoon that

was able to overcome high competition and was

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selected for pitching.

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