

## CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

### EuroMaidan Newsletter # 269

Russia's annexation of Crimea remains direct threat to international security EU extends asset freeze on ex-President Yanukovych

"We will neither forget nor abandon Crimea," reads the statement of the foreign ministers of eleven countries.

EU: Russia's <u>annexation of Crimea remains direct</u> <u>threat to international security</u>.

Russia-linked <u>cyber attacks targeted 104 accounts</u> of European think tanks.

EU extends asset freeze on ex-President Yanukovych, 11 other Ukrainians.

StopFake #224 with Paul Niland. Fake: Ukraine makes opposition to NATO and the EU illegal. Ukraine introduces dual citizenship for western lobbyists. Victory Day holiday to be replaced with Europe Day in Ukraine.

Left: Ukrainian
Archbishop Klyment
detained in Russianoccupied Crimea on
grotesquely absurd
charges.
Right: Almost 25,000
female officers serving
under contract in
Ukrainian army –
Ukraine's Mission to
NATO



#### Russian special agencies preparing provocateurs to disrupt elections

How Russia denied its Crimea invasion, then admitted it

<u>From 'Not us' to 'Why hide it</u>?': How Russia denied its Crimea invasion, then admitted it.

If Kremlin fails to bring pro-Russian politicians to power, Ukraine should brace for radical scenarios – Horbulin.

Russia's <u>open military aggression targeting the</u> <u>electoral process in Ukraine is unlikely but</u> <u>possible</u>, according to a report published by the United States Institute of Peace.

Russian special agencies <u>preparing provocateurs to</u> <u>disrupt elections</u> in Ukraine – experts.

Russia wants to occupy Kherson, Mykolaiv

regions for "land corridor" - Russian lawyer.

What Ukrainians think about Euromaidan five years on: survey.

The forging of unity. How the <u>idea of Ukraine</u> <u>crossed imperial borders</u> from East to West.

<u>Trade in a time of war</u>. How true is it that trade with Russia is on the rise again and that is causing this?

Born or becoming Ukrainian? <u>National identity in the 21st century</u> from a sociological perspective.

#### Today's Ukrainian navy is well-trained & combat hardened

Ukraine, Russia agree via diplomatic channels on fishing rules in Azov Sea

Poroshenko highly <u>appreciates increase in</u> American military presence in Black Sea.

Today's <u>Ukrainian navy is well-trained & combathardened</u> – Gary Tabach.

Since the start of the year, <u>516 mines have been</u> defused in the combat zone in eastern Ukraine.

Signs of a special operation: <u>Russia is trying to</u> <u>force Ukraine to play by its own rules</u> in the case of the imprisoned sailors.

Russian <u>human rights activists are preparing food</u> and basic needs packages for <u>Ukrainian sailors</u> held in the Lefortovo prison in Moscow.

Ukraine, Russia <u>agree via diplomatic channels on</u> fishing rules in Azov Sea.

Soldier who betrayed Ukraine sentenced to 10 years in Russia for 'treason'.

So long, selfies! <u>Russia bans smartphones in the</u> military.

Ukrainian NGO collects data on 1,500 Russian "Wagner" mercenaries in Operation Trust remake.

"LPR" leader said to be terminally ill, Kremlin looking for replacement – Ukrainian blogger.

Russian <u>propaganda chief Kiselyov gets his</u>
<u>nephew jailed in Germany</u> for involvement in war in Ukraine.

Russian Orthodox Church: Performance of <u>song</u> <u>about nuking US in St. Isaac's Cathedral</u> 'in bad taste'.

Ex-Ukrainian armed forces chief detained for treason. The ex-chief is alleged to have weakened Ukrainian resistance in Crimea prior to Russia's illegal annexation.

Left: How an extank gunner became a reborn doll maker.
Right: Children that are waiting for parents from prisons. 111 consequences of the Russian occupation of Crimea





#### "DPR" to liquidate structures loyal to the autocephalous OCU

In Ukraine the phrase 'we strongly condemn' became kind of a meme

The so-called "Donetsk Peoples Republic" is preparing to liquidate all structures loyal to the autocephalous Orthodox Church of Ukraine by expelling its priests and seizing their churches.

Rogues' Gallery: whatever happened to the first separatist leaders in Ukraine?

'In Ukraine the phrase 'we strongly condemn' became kind of a meme,' Crimea five years after occupation.

Russia brings charges of 'planning to violently seize power' for Crimean Solidarity with political

prisoners.

Oscar-winning director Alfonso <u>Cuarón called for</u>
<u>the release of Ukrainian film director Oleg</u>
<u>Sentsov</u>, who is illegally imprisoned in Russia.

Reshat Ametov, and the torture and killings with impunity that Russia brought to Crimea.

Ukraine Ombudsperson at UN: Ukrainian political prisoners <u>Bekirov and Hryb in critical condition</u>.

Ukrainian political prisoner <u>Kolchenko describes</u> <u>Russian prison conditions</u>.

#### Capital investments into Ukrainian industry reach UAH 526 bln

Law against illicit enrichment declared unconstitutional

The chances of the new democratic candidate and more  $-\frac{\text{uacrisis weekly update } \#8}{25}$ . February -3 March.

<u>Week's balance</u>: Slower slide of industrial output, election "gifts" to pensioners, and restrictions on cash payments.

President Poroshenko has <u>proposed fresh</u> <u>legislation to fight corruption</u>, a day after the country's Constitutional Court threw out a previous anti-graft law.

Fears of carte blanche for corruption in Ukraine as <u>law against illicit enrichment declared</u> unconstitutional.

Ukraine receives over <u>EUR 500 million loan under IBRD guarantee</u>.

Groysman: Capital <u>investments into Ukrainian</u> <u>industry reach UAH 526 bln</u>.

<u>Ukrainian Energy Forum in Kyiv</u>. Ukraine intends to create conditions to develop domestic natural gas extraction.

Reforms lying low. <u>iMoRe review of the 4th quarter</u> of 2018.

Oligarchs set the election agenda using their TV.

<u>Sadovyi withdraws from presidential race</u> in favor of Hrytsenko.

Investigation finds <u>suspicious donations in</u> Tymoshenko's presidential campaign.

Crowdsourcer in chief: <u>Ukrainian funnyman takes</u>

unorthodox path to top of presidential pack.

\$41 mln transferred from PrivatBank to accounts of Zelensky's Kvartal 95 Studio – MP Ariev.

<u>Leaders of election race in the spotlight of journalistic investigations</u> exposing corruption.

Poroshenko's man in defense industry <u>accused of graft & smuggling: truth or pre-election</u> <u>manipulation?</u>

<u>President fired Hladkovskyi from the post</u> of the First Deputy Chairman of the NSDC.

Five years after Euromaidan, <u>227 judges who</u> persecuted activists keep their seats.

Nuclear energy in Ukraine. Ukraine has never given up on idea to develop its own nuclear energy facilities. Before long, the country will have to make a choice – follow its principles or follow an economic common sense.

About 400 UOC-MP parishes joined Orthodox Church of Ukraine – Epiphanius.

Ukraine <u>not to participate in Eurovision Song</u> <u>Contest</u> this year.

Ukraine wants to change rules of selection for Eurovision.

Yanukovych <u>laundered \$4.2 mln through Swedbank.</u>

Ex-top manager of fugitive oligarch Kurchenko's firm detained in Greece upon Ukrainian request.

Kyiv company
developed a drone
monitoring system for
NASA. It will be tested
in Nevada.



#### Giant solar power station to open in Dnipro region

7,500 families chose solar

Giant solar power station to open in Dnipro region. The solar power station is financed by Ukrainian and Chinese investors. The station will be one of the top three most powerful in Europe.

TIU Canada seeks to complete building two solar

power plants in Odesa region in summer.

<u>7,500 families chose solar</u>. The amount of money invested in solar panels doubled last year, Ukraine's energy efficiency agency wrote.

Left: Ukrainian wins
Venice Carnival Best
Costume.
Right: Ukraine's sole
brand "Ukraine Now"
has been recognized as
the winner in the
nomination "Rebranding
of the Year: Change or
Go Home" according to
X-Ray Marketing
Awards 2018.





# **Kyiv topped the ranking of the cheapest tourist cities in Europe**

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<u>SpeakUkrainian</u> – new educational online platform.

Matchstick extravaganza in Kyiv. Icons, a coat of arms, a model steam train, and a full-size chair.

Ukraine's top tennis player <u>Svitolina is now in the top ten worldwide</u> for aces.

<u>Ukrainian paralympians win 42 medals</u>. 2019 World Para Nordic Skiing Championships was in Prince George, Canada.

Kyiv museum among the world's best aviation museums.



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