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### PACE to debate Azov Sea, Kerch Strait

#### Ukraine continues to terminate agreements with Russia

On Thursday, January 24, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe ([PACE](#)) will hold urgent debates regarding the situation in the [Sea of Azov and the Kerch Strait](#).

[U.S. law firm to pay \\$4.6 million](#) in settlement over Manafort Ukraine lobbying.

[Steps against online manipulation taken by 43 countries](#) in two recent years.

[Facebook removes hundreds of fake pages](#), accounts 'linked' to Russia's Sputnik.

[Russian attack on the Integrity Initiative](#): what

makes the Mafia different from the police.

Bartholomew's [tomos of contention and state security of Ukraine](#) (Part 2). Informnapalm.

The Ukrainian Foreign Ministry has already [terminated 49 agreements with Russia and is currently considering terminating the second package of 50 agreements](#).

[StopFake #218](#) with Marko Suprun. Fake: Ukrainian company refuses to fight in Donbas war. OSCE records Ukrainian military provocations. Kyiv to close nuclear power plants because of enriched uranium shortage.

Left: "No Russian armed forces have even been in Ukraine" and other [recent narratives of Russian propaganda](#)  
Right: [12 facts about the Donbas that you should know](#). Photo: Young ladies in national costumes in Luhansk



### Fifty shades of Ukrainian populism

#### Lessons for the Donbas from two wars

The Ukrainian [Orthodox Church of the Moscow Patriarchy will lose its legal entity right unless it renames itself](#) as the Russian Orthodox Church. Filaret

[Manafort and Russian operative's alleged Ukraine plan](#). The alleged peace plan would have called for installing exiled Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich in Donbas.

[Fifty shades of Ukrainian populism](#): Tymoshenko, Zelenskiy, and the Chiaroscuro principle.

The [West's failure in 1991](#) must not be repeated now.

[The rise and decline of Donbas](#): how the region became "the heart of Soviet Union" and why it fell to Russian hybrid war.

[Lessons for the Donbas from two wars](#). What national unity hinges on and what, besides Russia, threatens Ukraine.

The precursor to the Holodomor. [What Stalin adopted from the Leninist experience](#) of suppressing anti-Soviet protests in 1921.

'[Women of the Gulag](#)' tells five astonishing stories of survival.

## Moscow court extends detention of all 24 Ukrainian POWs Donetsk Airport “cyborgs” honored

Jan.21. [16 attacks against Ukraine army](#) in past day: one Ukrainian soldier wounded, one terrorist destroyed.

[Donetsk Airport defenders honored.](#) These “cyborgs” held fast until January 21, 2015 when they were overrun.

[U.S. warship Donald Cook heads to Black Sea](#) for 'security operations'.

Klimkin, Maas: [Freedom of navigation in Azov Sea, Kerch Strait must be based on international law](#) principles.

[Russia refuses to talk release of hostages](#) and political prisoners, - Iryna Herashchenko.

Moscow’s [court extends arrest of all 24 captured Ukrainian sailors.](#)

[Russia tries to impose secrecy](#) on its illegal seizure of 24 Ukrainian POWs.

[Activists in Moscow collect](#) half a million rubles for Ukrainian sailors.

Kremlin agreed on [admission specialists from](#)

[Europe to Kerch strait](#), however is reluctant to coordinate it with Kyiv.

[Ukraine strengthens border](#) during Presidential campaign period.

Russia deploys [nuclear-capable ballistic missile launchers near Ukraine border](#), satellite imagery proves.

Aerial scout, Halyna Klempouz: [There is no such thing as the impossible!](#)



Left: Italy’s [La Stampa newspaper publishes striking images of life](#) in war-torn Eastern Ukraine. Shyrokyne.  
Right: [Battle of the Donetsk airport](#), four years later. Ukrainian ‘cyborgs’ [commemorated](#) in seven airports.



## Sanctions, NATO and Crimean Tatar autonomy

### Russian proxy ‘Luhansk republic’ seizes another woman hostage

[Sanctions, NATO and Crimean Tatar autonomy](#) – ways of de-occupating Crimea discussed in Kyiv.

‘Russian world’ supporters in shock as [Moscow deports ‘Donbas republic’ propagandist](#) to face trial in Ukraine.

Russia [seizes bus driver and forces him to ‘confess’](#) to spying for Ukraine.

Charges against Crimean Tatar activist [dropped](#)

[after he was tortured and jailed for six months.](#)

Russia brings [mass prosecutions of believers to occupied Crimea.](#)

[Russia caused one death to try to discredit Crimean Tatars](#) and is now risking new fatalities.

Russian proxy ‘Luhansk republic’ [seizes another woman hostage.](#)

## Society guarding fairness of Ukraine's Supreme Court

### Export-Import Bank of the United States returns to Ukraine

[Monitoring mission in the Kerch Strait, Presidential elections-2019](#) and more – uacrisis weekly update on Ukraine #2, 14-20 January.

[Week's balance](#): New coins, Groyzman vs space-high salaries in Naftogaz, and transit talks with Gazprom.

[Society guarding fairness of Ukraine's Supreme Court](#): 78 new judges to be selected next months.

The Ukrainian parliament has adopted a [bill setting the procedure for changing the affiliation of religious communities](#) in the country.

The [Export-Import Bank of the United States](#) restarts cooperation with Ukraine.

[Russian businesses 'linked' to Ukrainian comic](#) running for President. [Zelensky admits Russian assets](#), promise to divest.

[False start of gas talks](#). Naftogaz vs Gazprom and

EU.

Eastern Partnership: [€13 billion investment for better transport connectivity with the EU](#).

CEC registers [two more presidential candidates](#).

[Ukraine failing its human rights commitments](#), - HRW report.

Ukrainian [court releases suspected Khmelnytsky Maidan killer](#) fuelling allegations of sabotage.

[Suspected instigator of Handziuk murder](#) declared wanted.

“You are a polar explorer and there is no way back, the icebreaker is gone”: an [interview with a sysadmin of the station in Antarctica](#)



## Ukraine to modernize its Antarctic station

### 2018 Eastern Europe and Central Asia Tech Investment Overview

[Ukraine to modernize its Antarctic station](#) for the first time in 22 years.

Ukrainian company [Allset announced the start of cooperation with Google](#).

“[We have no direct competitors in Ukraine](#)”: [interview with TOP Manager of Glovo](#) startup, the international service to deliver “whatever you need”.

2018 Eastern Europe and Central Asia [Tech Investment Overview](#).

Left: [Sushchenko sends new drawings from prison.](#)

Right: How [Ukrainians looked 100 years ago.](#) Fotos



## Lviv was recognized as most comfortable Ukrainian city 100 years of the Ukrainian ‘Carol of the Bells’

[100 years of the Ukrainian ‘Carol of the Bells’.](#)

[Lviv was recognized the most comfortable](#) among the Ukrainian cities, according to Numbeo.

[Malanka](#) in Carpathians.

A [Ukrainian artist shreds banknotes](#) and uses them in her own special artistic creations.

[Winter wildlife](#) in the Carpathians.

How Did [Ukrainians Celebrate Epiphany?](#)

Left: [Odessa circa 1890](#) in color(ed) photographs  
Right: [Vertep Fest](#): from East to West



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