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On Russia's Azov Sea blockade, EU urges tough stance

Ukrainians companies have right to compensation, says Swiss court

European Parliament urges tough stance on Russia over Sea of Azov 'Blockade'.

European Parliament in resolution on Azov Sea: <u>Russia aims to transform it into an internal lake</u>.

NATO launches 'biggest military exercise since the end of the Cold War'.

Filaret: <u>Kremlin seeks for reason to 'protect'</u> Orthodox believers in Ukraine.

Ukrainians in <u>South Africa join international action</u> to commemorate Holodomor victims.

Swiss <u>court confirms right of Ukrainian oil</u> company to demand compensation from Russia for assets in Crimea.

Russia refuses to recognize the decision of the International Arbitration Court in The Hague on the payment of \$ 139 million to 18 Ukrainian companies as compensation for property in the occupied Crimea.

<u>Top EU court rejects extradition appeal</u> by Ukrainian oligarch Firtash.

<u>Propagandist who claimed Ukraine downed MH17</u> <u>distorted voice using... pot on his head</u> – Russian media.

Russian disinformation on Facebook targeted Ukraine well before 2016 U.S. election.

Left: <u>Stalin</u> <u>deported 100,000</u> <u>Ukrainians to</u> <u>Siberia</u> and Kazakhstan in October 1947. Operation West Right: Top three ways Russia spreads <u>disinformation</u> <u>about NATO</u> <u>military exercises</u>





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Moscow's blockade of Sea of Azov intended to force Kyiv to lift its own on Crimea, Samus says.

Chekist Operation Trust — <u>model for Putin's</u> <u>approach to Russian Church and Russian</u> <u>nationalism</u>, Khazanov-Pashkovsky says.

What's wrong with <u>Ukraine banning two channels</u> for propaganda?

Ukrainians live in the EU. A recent study looks at the motivations and expectations of the latest wave of Ukrainian emigration to France.

<u>After autocephaly</u>. What to expect after the Ukrainian Orthodox Church receives autonomy.

The middleweight: <u>neither 52 million — nor 26</u>. What a census can tell us that no other survey can.

Travels with Ivan: how the <u>Soviet secret police</u> <u>monitored U.S. writer John Steinbeck</u>.

Potential or lost souls? At least 2.5 million

OSCE's Hug speaks on Russian involvement in Donbas

Drone downed after spotting Russian military movement in Ukraine

Oct.29. <u>Militants fire at Ukrainian military 19</u> <u>times</u>. One soldier injured.

OSCE drone downed after it spotted Russian nightime military movement in Ukraine.

Ukraine's security forces will take preventive measures to <u>counter terrorist and sabotage threats</u> <u>in the town of Kramatorsk on October 31 and</u> <u>November 1</u>.

Ukrainian <u>de-miners win at Ardent Defender 2018</u> exercise in Canada.

Ukrainian security service releases <u>covert video of alleged Russian agent</u>.

Ukraine Army officer shows <u>video of militant</u> position being destroyed in Donbas.

OSCE's Hug on Russian involvement in Donbas

war: "Facts speak for themselves".

"Operating in the interests of the MoD of the Russian Federation" – <u>Russia's Main Intelligence</u> <u>Directorate employed "freelancers" to fight in</u> <u>Donbas and Syria</u>.

Ukraine's deputy minister for occupied areas reveals Russia's plans for "LPR/DPR". <u>Russia is</u> <u>now working on a scenario to replace the "leaders"</u> <u>of the so-called "LPR/DPR"</u> so that they can be integrated into Ukraine on Moscow's terms, Tuka said.

Russian media starts dubbing Zakharchenko a <u>'criminal</u>' (Screenshot).

'Invisible Battalion' presented in Gender Museum.

Fake: majority of Ukrainians consider Donbas conflict a Civil War.

Left: Russian mercenaries' <u>sniper</u> <u>kills Ukrainian soldier</u> <u>Dmvtro Darii</u> in Donbas.

Right: "Creepy place:" Video blogger shows <u>central park in</u> <u>Russian-occupied</u> <u>Donetsk</u>





Oleh Sentsov wins Sakharov Prize

New attack on Crimean Solidarity, lawyers defending political prisoners

Oleg <u>Sentsov won the Sakharov prize</u>. Here are his most inspiring quotes.

U.S. embassy: Decision to award <u>Sakharov Prize</u> to Sentsov confirms he is prisoner of conscience.

<u>Russia hurls petulant lies</u> as Kremlin hostage Oleg Sentsov awarded Sakharov Prize.

Imprisoned Ukrainian film director <u>Sentsov</u> makes his will public.

<u>Critical time for Sentsov</u>. 21 days have passed since Oleg Sentsov finished his hunger strike. Now his condition needs extra attention. Russian authorities <u>dig up ancient Muslim</u> <u>necropolis to build highway</u> in occupied Crimea.

What the Kerch tragedy reveals.

Environmental disaster in occupied <u>Crimea: Titan</u> resumes work.

"Human rights" in Crimea: 138 arrests for political motives and 79 searches since the beginning of year.

<u>Russia launches new attack on Crimean Solidarity</u> and lawyers defending political prisoners.

Russia uses <u>same methods of persecution against</u> Crimean Muslims and Jehovah's Witnesses.

Ukraine's anticorruption fight in Kharkiv and other stories

68% of Ukrainians want pro-EU reforms even if no membership

<u>Week's balance</u>: Heating season start, Putin's sanctions, and eurobonds worth \$2 bln.

28% of Ukrainians believe that the <u>best assistance</u> to Ukraine from the EU – pressure on Ukrainian authorities to support reforms – social polls.

68% of Ukrainians <u>want pro-European reforms</u> even without EU membership prospects.

EU continues supporting Ukrainian reforms. In 2018 EU already allocated €15.5 million on public administration reform and other reforms to be implemented in Ukraine.

First official <u>U.S. trade mission arrives in Ukraine</u> after 10-year pause.

Fitch affirms Ukraine at "B-", outlook stable.

The State Regulatory Service of Ukraine has failed to agree on a draft resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers on raising the gas price for the population.

Ukrainian, Belarusian presidents meet in Gomel.

Ukrainian ports sustain over <u>UAH 1 bln in losses</u> <u>due to Russia's actions in Azov Sea</u>.

<u>iMoRe №94</u>. Deregulation in the sugar market.

iMoRe <u>No93</u>. The NBU continues to build a risk management system in banks.

USAID survey: <u>trust of Ukrainian citizens in</u> <u>courts grows fourfold</u>.

Overloaded Ukrainian <u>courts obstructing justice in</u> top corruption cases.

Ukraine's anti-corruption agency <u>apprehends ten</u> <u>suspects in major fraud in Oschadbank</u>.

Court obliges NABU to <u>start investigation into</u> <u>misuse of funds by Yatsenyuk, Petrenko, and</u> <u>other Justice Ministry officials</u>.

Ukraine's <u>anti-corruption fight in Kharkiv</u>: the case of Gorky Park, a "monument to corruption".

Ukrainian rock star and civic leader <u>Vakarchuk</u> says presidential post of no interest to him.

Ukraine <u>cancels over 14,000 outdated</u> <u>international standards</u> in three years.

Top 5 most democratic cities in Ukraine named. The residents of <u>Chernivtsi, Kyiv, Khmelnytsky,</u> <u>Lviv and Kramatorsk have the highest level of</u> <u>access to the governance</u> of their cities.

Ukraine ranks 13th in Worldsteel rating.



Ukraine launches free school for white hackers

A brief overview of Ukrainian startups that have become successful

Intraoral scanner presented in Lviv. The programming and design were created by Ukrainian specialists.

<u>Physics propels Ukrainian teacher</u> to YouTube fame.

Over <u>3,000 households installed solar power panels</u> in January-September 2018.

<u>\$100 million solar power plant going up in Dnipro</u>. The project is expected to power 180,000 households and provide 200 new jobs. <u>Clean energy from Chornobyl disaster site</u>. Kyiv hopes to attract further investors to the site and to fill the site of the nuclear disaster with solar farms.

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American-Ukrainian <u>startup People.ai raises \$30</u> <u>million "to deliver on the true meaning of</u> <u>predictive enterprise</u>".

A brief <u>overview of Ukrainian startups that have</u> <u>become successful</u> and interesting for the community worldwide.

Left: <u>Svitolina wins</u> <u>WTA Finals</u>, obtains most prestigious trophy in her career Right: An ancient Greek trading ship dating back more han 2,400 years has <u>been found</u> virtually intact at the bottom of the Black Sea



Ukraine's team shows impressive results at Invictus Games

Ukrainian filmmaking emerges from the shadows

The Ukrainian team has demonstrated an impressive result at the Invictus Games competition in Australia, winning seven gold, ten silver and three bronze medals.

Yuriy Andrukhovych: "I don't like banality, so I don't meet the readers' expectations".

Kyiv Photo Week gathers creators. Among others, the exhibition will feature the works of

imprisoned Ukrainian journalist Roman Sushchenko, a political prisoner of the Kremlin.

Days of Ukrainian Cinema in NYC. One of the most popular Ukrainian films, Cyborgs, was shown on Friday.

Ukrainian filmmaking emerges from the shadows, but can 'patriotism' pack cinemas?

Left: Nearly 10 million foreigners have visited <u>Ukraine in six months</u> Right: Folklore ensemble celebrates a decade. Mnohaya Leta performs on the stages of Italy, Poland, **Bulgaria**, the Czech **Republic and Slovakia**



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