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Russia, Ukraine clash in human rights court on Crimea

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EU prolongs sanctions against Russia.

British minister: Russia's attempts to 'lock up' Ukraine bring us back to dark times.

Yalta European Strategy Conference outcomes.

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"Elections" in annexed Crimea recognized as Illegal by Ukraine, USA and EU.

Trump administration releases \$250 million in

military aid to Ukraine.

Poland works hard to prepare for possible war with Russia.

An unequal exchange: the spies and terrorists Russia got for releasing Oleg Sentsov and 34 other Ukrainian political prisoners & POWs.

Daughter of MH17 suspect traded by Ukraine thanks Putin, says 'We're going home'.

Russophobia, War Crimes and American Gas: StopFakeNews with Marko Suprun (No. 252).

One article, many ways to disinform: Breaking down a propaganda piece

NATO & ESTONIA IN PRO-KREMLIN DISINFO

- **NATO IS AN AGGRESSOR**
- DISTRUMENTO **NATO WON'T DEFEND ESTONIA**
- 3 LOCALS ARE AGAINST NATO
- **ESTONIA LACKS CREDIBILITY**
- ESTONIA SPREADS RUSSOPHOBIA

Ukraine is being prepared for surrender to Russia

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Piontkovsky: Ukraine is being prepared for disguised surrender to Russia.

Portnikov: "Unity" for robbery just like in Russia.

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Parliament dissolves the Central Election Commission: reasons and implications.

Russian nationalism and Ukraine. Roots of Moscow's imperialist policy in Ukraine and Ukrainians' participation in the creation of imperial Russia.

Portnikov describes three often unacknowledged truths about Ukraine.

"Russia is not ready to let Ukraine go" – Sentsov

Proud women of the Ukrainian army

Sep.16. Russian proxies launch 16 attacks on Ukrainian troops in Donbas: Ukrainian soldier wounded.

Russian-led mercenaries continue assault on Ukrainian positions.

"Since the beginning of truce, enemy has carried out more than 500 attacks at our positions, 80 of which with prohibited weapons" - Commander of Joined Forces Operation.

"Russia is not ready to let Ukraine go" – Sentsov's first public speech after Russian prison.

Ukraine's Foreign Minister <u>rejects idea of full</u> <u>amnesty for Donbas militants</u>.

<u>Surkov Leaks</u>: the inner workings of Russia's Hybrid War in Ukraine.

Ukrainian Defense minister names <u>military policy</u> <u>priorities</u>.

Lebedynske: life on the firing line. Despite their

close proximity to the front line, the residents of Lebedynske try to live their lives as normally as possible.

<u>Vilne: life in a war zone</u>. Only 14 residents left of the frontline village of Vilne in Ukraine's Luhansk region live under constant shelling.

Proud women of the Ukrainian army. Women make up around 20 percent of Ukrainian military personnel. They're cooks, medics, artillerists, machine gunners, scouts, and press officers.

Russian-backed Donbas <u>militant admits to bombing</u> <u>Ukrainian city</u>.

Russia builds new military base for 150th Motorized Rifle Division near the border with Ukraine.

Donbas <u>terrorist placed by Ukraine court under</u> <u>house arrest shot dead</u> in Mariupol.

Rescue Poetry. How creative writing provides psychological healing for Ukrainian veterans.

Left: Number of IDPs grows by about 2,000 over past week.
Center, Right: Freed Ukrainian POWs collect money for Russian activist Konstantin Kotov who helped them & is now jailed himself



Russia vandalizing UNESCO world heritage site in Crimea

Stories from released political prisoners Sentsov, Balukh, and Sushchenko

Holding "local elections" in Crimea by Russia is violation of international law indicating the need to increase pressure on Russia – MFA.

"Russian Federal Penitentiary Service, burn in hell!" Sentsov burns his prison uniform. Video.

Electric shock and wet pillowcase: <u>Balukh tells</u> <u>about tortures in Russian prisons</u>.

Freed Ukrainian journalist <u>Sushchenko to auction</u> prison artwork.

<u>Russia's 'persuasion' of Ukrainian hostage</u>: Mock executions, torture & five years of solitary confinement.

<u>Ukraine charges retired Russian soldier, two others</u> in Crimean Tatar's deadly kidnapping.

Russia treats imprisoned Crimean Tatar activists like victims of the 1944 Deportation.

Russia is barbarically <u>vandalizing UNESCO</u> <u>world heritage site at Chersonese</u> in occupied Crimea.

<u>Photographing a disused aerodrome can get you jailed for 12 years</u> in Russia if you're Ukrainian.

Rights group: <u>Ukrainian language near banished</u> in occupied <u>Donbas</u> schools.

IMF says combating graft key for any new Ukraine loan

Many of Zelenskyi's and his MPs' recent actions worrying

The "Steinmeier formula", deconstructing disinformation and more – <u>uacrisis weekly update</u> #28, 9-15 September.

<u>Week's balance</u>: IMF mission started to work, Rada postpones fines for owners of uncleared imported vehicles, while inflation sees decline.

Zelenskyi's MPs set <u>new records in violating</u> parliamentary rules.

Zelenskyi's changes to the Constitution (and why each Ukrainian president amends it)

Zelenskyi sacks well-functioning Central Election Commission, raising worries about capitulation to Russia.

Servant of the People has 35 potential candidates for CEC members.

Zelenskyi vs Klitschko. An unequal fight for Ukraine's capital.

Zelensky vetoes election code passed by eighth convocation Rada.

Zelenskyi signs <u>law on stripping parliamentary</u> immunity.

<u>Ukraine and Finland sign two</u> bilateral documents.

IMF: combating graft key element for any new Ukraine loan. Ukraine seeks new \$5 bln loan program with IMF.

Ukraine's Rada passes <u>bill on incentives for corruption whistleblowers</u>.

iMoRe №115. Money transfers at post offices and "green tariffs" for households. The index for monitoring of reforms is +0.6 points for the period from July 29 to August 11.

Police have raided the headquarters of PrivatBank, Ukraine's largest bank, as part of a criminal investigation the same day that the International Monetary Fund (IMF) arrived for talks on starting a new lending program.

<u>Kolomoiskyi sees good window of opportunity</u> for amicable agreement on PrivatBank.

Former Ukrainian <u>Central Bank chief says police</u> <u>raided</u> her Kyiv apartament. Ex-Central Bank Head <u>Hontareva mulls seeking political asylum.</u>

<u>ArcelorMittal's Ukraine steel mill to move \$400 million out of country amid probes.</u>

Why is another <u>killing of a journalist in Ukraine</u> going unanswered?

Zelenskiy talks

'business' with oligarch
Kolomoyskiy.



Ukraine's economic freedom ranking improves, still behind

Dnipro city and region IT market review

In the global <u>ranking of economic freedom</u>, <u>Ukraine has climbed three positions</u>, but still remains the only European country in the category of least-free nations.

Ostrich farming growing in popularity in Ukraine.

16,000 professionals and average income of \$1,650: Dnipro city and region IT market review.

Ukrainian <u>3DLOOK becomes a resident of Station</u> <u>F</u>, the world's biggest campus.

Ukrainian wins first medal at World Urban Games for Freerunning.



Prized Mykhailo Panin painting returns to Ukraine

Series spotlights minority religious communities in Ukraine

New Mariupol chapel decorated with Ukrainian Folk Art.

Prized Mykhailo Panin painting returns to Ukraine.

Chornobyl series creator: <u>Ukraine should be more active in making historical films</u>.

<u>Taosim in Ukraine</u>. He jokingly calls himself a "Christian Taoist." Mykola Kozin, the Head of a Daoist center - grew up in a Christian family.

Judaism in Ukraine. In Ukraine, there are

estimated to be some 120,000 Jews.

Muslim life in Ukraine. There are some 1 million Muslims living in Ukraine.

Buddhists in Ukraine. In 2017, there were 59 Buddhist religious communities in Ukraine.

Ukrainian <u>Paralympians take top spot in</u> <u>swimming</u>. The Ukrainian team won 40 medals.

Svitolina returns to top 3 in WTA ranking.

Left: <u>Ukraine to</u> <u>open its lighthouses</u> up for excursions.

Right: Authentic **Hutsul Bryndza**.





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