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Enemy can be stopped not only with force of arms

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President: Over the two years of war, Ukraine has proven to the world that the <u>enemy can be stopped</u> not only by the force of arms, but also by the spiritual strength and unity of the Ukrainian people.

<u>Projects for World War II commemoration day</u> give history back to the people, take a step back from myths and heroization.

<u>Ukraine celebrates 9 May</u> as the day of worldwide victory over Nazi forces in 1945, instead of the traditional celebration of the Soviet Union's victory in the 1941-1945 Great Patriotic War.

No gross violations of public order recorded in Ukraine during mass rallies dedicated to V-Day. Some turmoil in Kharkiv as people wearing St. George's ribbons denied access to Memorial of Glory.

Poroshenko opens <u>Mothers of Heroes photo</u> <u>exhibition.</u> (photos)

<u>History teaches us that it is impossible to appease an aggressor</u>, NSDC secretary Oleksandr Turchynov.

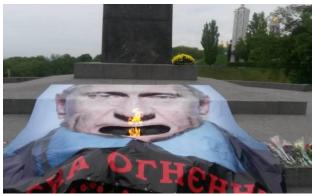
Prague stages a <u>'corridor of shame' for pro-Putin bikers</u>. 'Night Wolves' encounter protesters with Ukrainian, American and Czech flags shouting: "Suitcase, railway station, Russia" and "invaders, go home."

Russian invasion of Ukraine. <u>Presentation of evidence of Russia's participation in the war in Donbas.</u>

MH17 was shot down by missile assigned to Russia's 53rd Brigade – Bellingcat.

Left: Activists in Kyiv cover the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier with a poster depicting Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Right: Honoring Ukraine's World War II casualities





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<u>Moscow's actions producing exactly the opposite</u> of its proclaimed goals, Eidman.

Real and fictional history in Ukraine's archives. Volodymyr Vyatrovych responds to Josh Cohen's article in Foreign Policy.

Alexander Wajnberg: Ukraine is living in a permanent crisis, which risks becoming catastrophic. One of the essential elements for <u>stabilization is the existence of objective media</u>.

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<u>Defending our memory and pain from Russia</u>'s Victory Day exploits.

Seven strategies of domestic Russian propaganda.

Kyiv's new leadership and <u>Ukraine's economic prospects</u>. A. Motyl.

Russia supplies tanks, other equipment over the week of ceasefire

Orlando Bloom asks his fans to help Ukrainian children

<u>Russia supplied</u> 38 tanks, 12 artillery systems and other equipment over the week of ceasefire.

May 9. A Victory Day parade in Donetsk by Russia-backed separatists featuring tanks, artillery, and rocket systems violate the Minsk peace agreement, according to the OSCE. Militants become more active in the Mariupol sector.

May 8. <u>Militants use small arms, large machine guns and grenade launchers</u> near Avdiivka. Russianbacked <u>separatist forces increase attacks</u> in eastern Ukraine.

Ukraine <u>war updates</u>: daily briefings as of May 8, 2016

May 7. Law enforcement revealed an <u>attempt to</u> <u>illegally transport a batch of explosives</u>.

SBU <u>prevented a diversion in Mariupol</u> in advance

of holidays.

OSCE says spots in Ukraine <u>a deadly rocket system</u> produced only in Russia, never exported to Ukraine.

Orlando Bloom asks his fans to help Ukrainian children.

Residents plant gardens as shells fall in Avdiivka.

Putin's hybrid force in Donbas accepting a large delivery of <u>fake Ukrainian combat uniforms</u>.

The aftermath of war: stories that need to be told.

No defence, no mercy for <u>Russia's oldest Ukrainian</u> <u>hostage</u>.

<u>Blast in coal mine kills</u> at least 9 in occupied Donbas.

Equipment from Alchevsk steel factory in occupied Donbas being taken to Russia.

Left: Orlando Bloom impressed by visiting Eastern Ukraine. Bloom greets 4 year old Ksiusha at a community support center in Sviatogorsk. © UNICEF/UN017911/Georgi ev

Right: Wedding at a military hospital.
Ukrainian soldier who lost his sight didn't lose the love of his life



Russian police detains some 100 Tatars in mosque

Russia terrorizes children & destroys lives in occupied Crimea

How <u>Russia Terrorizes Children & Destroys Lives</u> in Occupied Crimea.

Russian police detains some 100 Tatars in mosque.

Russia <u>continues to detain dozens of Crimean</u>
<u>Tatars</u> every day.

What the banning of Crimean Tatars' Meilis means.

Russia takes victory day parade to Crimea.

Attempt to <u>foist Russian citizenship on Mustafa</u> Dzhemiliev's hostage son.

A Russian court in Chechnya is accusing two Ukrainians of killing Russian soldiers in the war in Chechnya in 1994-1995 and has denied to consider materials that prove they have an alibi.

Kyiv demands return of Ukrainian <u>abducted & jailed in Russia for 'spying'</u> on the Internet.

Russian Bubeyev <u>jailed for reposting "Crimea is Ukraine"</u> publication on social media.

Russia is actively deploying new types of weapons to Crimea – submarines armed with cruise missiles and shore-based missile batteries.

IMF retains slight growth forecast for Ukraine's economy

Old faces in courts endanger Ukrainian reforms

As Ukraine's economy shows fresh signs of stabilization, the Ukrainian <u>central bank announced</u> on May 5 that it would further relax its foreign <u>currency controls</u>.

Early <u>signs coming from Ukraine's new government</u> <u>are "very encouraging"</u>, Mahmood Pradhan, deputy head of the IMF's European department.

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has retained its forecast for Ukrainian economic growth in 2016 at 1.5% with inflation at 15.1%.

Ukraine's <u>inflation rate dropped below 10 percent</u> for the first time since 2014.

The IMF has set out the <u>main requirements for</u> reforms in Ukraine.

Ivan Miklos, the co-chairman of the group of strategic advisors to support reforms in Ukraine, has said that the country needs to carry out privatization, reform of the prosecutor's office and judicial reform.

Old faces in courts endanger all Ukrainian reforms. Unreformed courts stall police reform.

Revitalized and re-energized: <u>Ukraine's energy</u> reform success.

Sanctions, please: Calls rise for US, EU to identify Ukraine's corrupt elite, freeze assets, deny visas.

Ukraine drops to fifth place on <u>Economist Crony-Capitalism Index</u>.

<u>Germany allocated EUR 2 mln</u> to support internally displaced persons in Ukraine.

Kobolyev's job running Naftogaz involves more than a corporate restructuring—he must <u>remake an</u> institution central to Ukraine and its economy.

Maturing markets push <u>cellphone firms to pursue</u> <u>new users in Ukraine</u>. Carriers like Turkcell are bringing 3G wireless service to less populated areas.

Left: Lviv native leads charge for innovation on multiple fronts.

Right: Art
flourishes amid
decay in ancient
Kyiv.



Making a miracle: Ukraine's untapped economic potential

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ANTONOV secures Indian partnership: Ukrainian

aerospace flagship eyes joint production for lucrative Indian market.

Ukrainian plane was presented at a US airshow.

'California in Ukraine' offers participants access to a startup incubation program for just a \$2 fee.

Left: Ukrainian athlete, Ganna Rizatdinova, wins international rhythmic gymnastics tournament.

Right: Ukraine's

<u>Dnieper river</u> is like
a work of art from
space



Spring songs take over city streets in western Ukraine

Pysanka with Donetsk panorama wins Easter egg contest

<u>Ukraine's ancient map appears online</u> as a part of U.S. Cartographical Association's collection.

<u>Pysanka with Donetsk panorama</u> wins popular Easter egg contest.

Ukraine's <u>Jamala walks red carpet at Eurovision</u> 2016 in Stockholm. Ukrainian singer to perfom a song about Crimean Tatars' deportation in 1944.

Spring songs take over city streets in western Ukraine. <u>Ancient Ukrainian tradition</u> features lots of dancing, singing and playing.

Left, centre and right:
Ukrainians 100 years ago.
(Photos)







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