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Ukraine's church will be second largest among Orthodox Ukraine remains most misrepresented country in pro-Kremlin media

Exarch of Constantinople confirms that [Orthodox Church of Ukraine can receive patriarchate](#).

[Ukraine's church will be second largest](#) among all Orthodox churches – Filaret.

US Ambassador warns of [sanctioning German companies participating in Nord Stream 2](#) construction.

Ukraine commemorates [Political Prisoners Day on January 12](#), the day in 1972 when the Soviet Union's KGB started another wave of repressing Ukrainians.

The [Tragic 1972 Vertep in Lviv](#) (photos).

Poland [charges three with terrorism and sees Russian link in arson attack on Hungarian Centre](#) in Ukraine in 2018.

[Akhmetov, Lyovochkin involved in Manafort case](#) – CNN.

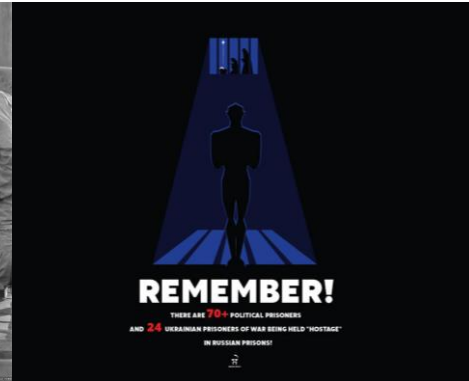
Ukraine remained [under information fire](#) from Russia in 2018.

Ukraine remains [most misrepresented country in pro-Kremlin media](#) – EUvsDisinfo. Ukraine appeared in 461 out of 1,000 disinformation cases in Russian mass media in the course of 2018.

[StopFake #217](#) with Marko Suprun. Fake: Ukrainian presidential elections will be illegitimate. Ukraine may lose EU visa-free status. Ukraine is fast becoming most indebted country.

Left: The [destruction of Ukraine's nuclear arsenal](#). 25 years ago, Ukraine possessed the world's third-largest nuclear arsenal. Following two years of talks between the US, Russia, and Ukraine, Kyiv agreed to remove all nuclear weapons from its soil in exchange for assurances that Russia would respect its sovereignty.

Right: [From Stus to Sentsov](#): Ukraine's Soviet-era political prisoners of the Kremlin.



Worst-case scenario for Europe

Russian nostalgia for Soviet past far more dangerous than appears

Worst-case scenario for Europe: [Chief of Lithuania's army on possible escalation of Donbas war](#).

Ukrainian autocephaly a [defeat for Putin but a victory for a future Free Russia](#), Illarionov says.

"[Soviet order returning when civilian aircraft can be shot down](#) ... Especially in the area of Moscow or Sochi." Experts on why the Russian military seeking the right to attack passenger airliners.

Growing Russian [nostalgia for Soviet past far more dangerous than it appears](#), Kirillova says.

Election 2019: Shifting positions. How [different is the current campaign in terms of political slogans and promises compared to 2014?](#)

Guarding the competition. [Which state monopolies it is important to maintain](#) in the future and why.

[Stalin's NKVD and Hitler's Gestapo cooperated closely](#) even before Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact.

[Skoropadsky and the federalist myth](#). Where did one of the most negative myths about Hetman Skoropadsky come from?

Poroshenko: we will not let Russia decide how to use Azov Sea OSCE monitoring drone shot down over Eastern Ukraine

[Poroshenko: we will not let Russia decide how to use Azov Sea](#). He said that Russia should explain why new missile complexes are now located in Kerch and Feodosia in Crimea.

Ukraine [to terminate about 40 bilateral agreements with Russia](#).

[U.S. warship arrives at Romanian port](#) amid Black Sea tensions.

Large [Russian destroyer enters Black Sea](#).

Ukraine [expects to get Canadian sniper rifles](#) this year.

[OSCE monitoring drone shot down](#) over Eastern Ukraine.

Ukraine filed a [lawsuit against the Russian Federation over the violation of rights of captured Ukrainian sailors](#) with the European Court of Human Rights.

[Russian hybrid forces hideout found in Luhansk](#).

The evidence obtained will be used in cases against Russia in international courts.

[Militants issue passports to Russian military officers to enter occupied Donbas](#). Russian officers cross the border in uncontrolled areas.

Russia to consider [extending detention for Ukrainian sailors](#).

A Ukrainian public organization named after Ivan Franko in Sumqayit, Azerbaijan, took part in a [flash mob in support of captive sailors in Russia](#).

[Patriarch Kirill of Moscow \(Vladimir Gundyayev\) may soon lose his post](#) since he failed to prevent the granting of a tomos of autocephaly to the Orthodox Church of Ukraine.

[Russia smuggles tonnes of coal](#) from occupied Donbas.

More than [1.5 mln IDPs registered](#) in Ukraine.

Left: Crossing through the [only corridor that remains open for people in Ukraine's Luhansk region](#) to navigate the so-called line of contact.

Right: [Russia may kill disabled Crimean Tatar](#) with "most absurd" show trial yet



Russia increases torture conditions for Ukrainian political prisoners Russia attacks lawyers defending victims of persecution in occupied Crimea

[Russia increases torture conditions](#) for most Crimean and other Ukrainian political prisoners.

[EU urges Russia to release all 'illegally detained' Ukrainians](#).

[Sentsov writes novel in prison](#). He completed it at the end of December last year.

Russia launches dangerous [attack on lawyers defending victims of persecution in occupied Crimea](#).

Russia's [imprisonment of disabled Crimean Tatar](#)

[activist is a death sentence without a crime or trial](#).

The [FSB fabricates pathetic 'Crimean saboteur' plot](#) you wouldn't find in the shoddiest detective novel.

Ukrainian [political prisoner jailed for fictitious 'attack on Crimea' disappears in Russia](#).

"DPR/LPR" leaders [promise Russian passports to locals](#).

Ukraine's hryvnia undervalued by 65%

Law enforcers detain 110 bribe-takers over past two weeks

[2018 Diplomacy: year in review](#). Ukraine faced some hardships but also had many victories.

President Petro Poroshenko: such priorities of the previous year as an [independent church, an efficient army, and release of Ukrainian hostages remain relevant in the year 2019](#).

Ukraine energy 2018: [Historic victory over Gazprom and tariff hike](#).

[Putin's trail, Ukraine's new law, democracy index ranking](#) and more – uacrisis weekly update on Ukraine #1, 7-13 January.

[Week's balance](#): Weak economic growth, lower state profits, and new wave of forex easing.

Emergency care needs to be improved: [results of independent quality evaluation](#).

Poll: [first step of Health Care reform successful in Ukraine](#). Seventy-six percent of people who signed an agreement with a doctor are satisfied with their choice.

Ukraine's [foreign reserves update five-year max](#).

[World Bank predicts decline in Ukraine's GDP growth next year](#).

Big Mac index: [Ukraine's hryvnia undervalued by 65%](#). Ukrainian hryvnia was recognized one of the most undervalued currencies.

[Saving Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Court](#): international experts filter candidates, facing roadblocks from old system.

[Half the candidates for Ukraine's new Anti-Corruption Court suspected of corruption](#) or questionable rulings.

Over [230 candidates for Supreme Court posts pass exams](#).

Ukraine's Central Election Commission registers [four more presidential candidates](#).

[Road repairs boom-2018](#) and U.S. locomotives for Ukrzaliznytsia.

Ukraine's Security Service [exposed 564 corruption crimes last year](#).

Law enforcers [detain 110 bribe-takers over past two weeks](#).

Government appoints [Kravtsov as Ukrzaliznytsia chief](#).

Kyiv-Pechersk [Lavra inventory reveals several Orthodox icons disappear](#) – Minister.

Left: Ukraine among [top 5 largest exporters of agricultural products to EU](#).

Right: Bogdan starts 2019 with new [contract with France's Bluebus](#).



New breed of Ukrainian tech entrepreneurs seek success

Eight Ukrainian startups representing Ukraine at CES 2019 expo

Eight Ukrainian [startups representing Ukraine at CES 2019 expo](#) in Las Vegas.

Nearly [8,000 electric cars were imported](#) and registered in Ukraine in 2018.

Yaroslav Azhnyuk, [Petcube: "I think Amazon may want to buy us"](#). We make products that may be of interest to them".

Under the radar: [new breed of Ukrainian tech entrepreneurs seek success](#) in global markets (part 1).

Ukraine's [Koza Dereza Manufacture presents handmade goods](#) at Top Drawer Spring 2019, staged at Olympia London.

[Photo of fallen Ukrainian soldier wins Gold prize in Tokyo photo contest](#)



Ukraine celebrates Orthodox New Year

Documentary about Ukraine wins prize of Cinema Eye Honors

Ukraine celebrates Orthodox New Year, commonly known as [Old New Year](#).

[Ice Carving Competition](#) in Lviv.

Documentary about Ukraine wins [prize of Cinema Eye Honors](#).

Daria [Lopatetska wins ITF tournament in Hong Kong](#). This is her second win in professional tournaments in a row.

Olga [Polyuk wins Nor-Am Cup](#) in freestyle skiing.

[Kyiv circa 1890](#)
in color



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