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Ukraine leaves the CIS

Bark soup in Brussels: experiencing the horror of the Holodomor

"[Funding Nord Stream 2 is funding collapse of Europe](#)," – Poroshenko.

Poroshenko [recalls Ukraine's envoys from Commonwealth of Independent States](#) entities. The country officially leaves the statutory bodies of the CIS.

[Ukraine marks ten years of WTO membership.](#)

EU [sanctions five who helped organize Russian presidential election](#) in Crimea.

Poroshenko enacts [new sanctions against Russia](#).

[Bark soup in Brussels](#): experiencing the horror of the Holodomor.

One-sided bans. Why are [Ukrainian users more and more often finding themselves banned by Facebook?](#)

Despite sanctions: "[Auchan](#)", "[Metro](#)" and [DHL still operating in Crimea](#).

Putin [unveils Crimea bridge condemned by Kyiv, EU](#).

[Fake: Kurt Volker acknowledges](#) Ukraine unable to regain Crimea and Donbas.

[Fake: OSCE walks out on Donbas talks](#) because of Ukrainian threats.

Left: Ukraine [commemorates deportation of Crimean Tatars](#), while dozens detained in Crimea
Right: Everything you wanted to know [about Nord Stream 2](#)



Russian influence tactics in America

Electoral reform in Ukraine still a distant hope

[Russian influence tactics in America](#): the Lozansky files.

Are Russian [oligarchs serving as Putin's 'little green men' in Belarus?](#)

China now building [five frigates a year: Russia only one every ten](#).

Why Ukraine needs a [free and recognized Orthodox Church](#).

With elections approaching, [electoral reform](#) in Ukraine still a distant hope.

[Soviets executed three times as many Red Army](#)

[soldiers](#) as Nazis executed German ones.

[Crimea will be a part of strong, unified Ukraine](#) again, — Arsen Zhumadilov.

[Polish politics in Volyn](#). Henryk Józewski represents some of the most interesting aspects in 20th century Ukrainian-Polish history.

Ukraine commemorates [memory of victims of political repressions](#).

Far from frozen, hot war still raging in Ukraine's Donbas Russia's Azov blockade

May 21. [JFO scouts eliminate Russian mercenary, capture three more](#) in raid near Holmivskiyi village. [55 attacks on Ukrainian troops](#) in last day.

Occupiers attacked residential houses. Militants [shelled rehabilitation center](#) in Donetsk region: 28 children evacuated.

Russian-backed forces [blow up bridge on Khrustalniy–Luhansk route](#).

[Hot war still raging in Ukraine's Donbas](#), and it's far from a frozen conflict.

Ukrainian female veteran [asks Russian diplomat: "Why are you killing our people?"](#) Then this happens.

[Ukrainian vessels' access to Sea of Azov partly limited](#) by Russia over alleged live-fire exercise.

[Russia's Azov blockade](#). How the Kerch bridge built by Russia blocks and threatens the ports in Mariupol and Berdiansk.

RIA Novosti-Ukraine Head [Vyshynskiy charged with treason, admits being Russian citizen](#).

On the [arrest of RIANovosti journalist Kiril Vyshynskiy & the defence of "alternative news"](#) in Ukraine.

The night [May 18th shelling by Russian-backed militants of the villages of Troitske \(Luhansk region\) and Kurdiuvka \(Donetsk region\)](#) has been qualified as a terrorist attack.

Another [commander of Russian-led fighters Mamiev killed](#) in Donbas.

Left: Balukh, illegally convicted in the occupied Crimea, [begins to take some food in order to avoid forced feeding](#).

Right: Filmmaker Sentsov launches [hunger strike until Russia releases all Ukrainian political prisoners](#)

POLITICAL PRISONER OF THE KREMLIN
VOLODYMYR BALUKH
JAILED FOR A UKRAINIAN FLAG IN OCCUPIED CRIMEA
64 DAYS ON HIS HUNGER STRIKE
Started on: 19.03.18 #FreeBalukh #LetMyPeopleGo
WWW.FB.COM/LETMYPEOPLEGOUKRAINE.EN

UKRAINIAN FILMMAKER & POLITICAL PRISONER OF THE KREMLIN
OLEG SENTSOV
8 DAYS ON HIS HUNGER STRIKE
UNTIL RUSSIA RELEASES ALL UKRAINIAN POLITICAL PRISONERS
#FreeSentsov #LetMyPeopleGo

Sentsov on hunger strike til all Ukrainian political prisoners released 74 years on, Russian genocide of Crimean Tatars continues

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Invaders [changing demographic situation in occupied Crimea](#), displacing Crimean Tatars, ethnic Ukrainians.

During the years of occupation [250 000 people were brought to Crimea](#), which constitutes 11% of population.

[Poroshenko announced Crimean autonomy](#) with president's right to interfere.

The [only 'Ukrainian school' left in occupied Crimea teaches in Russian](#).

[Life is no beach for Crimeans](#) seeking surf and sun.

Russia's FSB [accuses Crimean Tatars of 'Extremist' Plot](#).

[Balukh subjected to new 'trial' for 'attacking' a police officer](#).

Crimean [Tatar who sued Putin over annexation of Crimea 'deported' to Uzbekistan](#).

The 'trial' has ended in Russian-occupied Crimea of five Crimean Tatars [accused of 'involvement' in a pre-annexation demonstration over which Russia has no jurisdiction](#).

Crimean Tatar leader explains [Russia's miscalculation of Crimean bridge](#). This bridge is unlikely to justify itself in the near future.

On May 9, [militants demonstrated the "Ruban mortar"](#) in Donetsk.

[Sentsov determined to carry hunger strike he started on May 14 'To the end'](#).

Medical reform to bring modern healthcare to every village

New Ukrainian low-cost airlines to operate its first flights on May 21

Week's balance: EU decides to lend EUR 1 bln, Rada outlaws palm oil, Kyiv ups public transport fares.

Unian week. Putin's tricks, tireless Volker and cold shower from Mingarelli.

Ukraine makes shift to global standards on transfer pricing to plug \$2 billion leak.

IMF lines up eight key reforms vital to accelerate Ukraine's economic growth.

Ukrainian medical reform to bring modern healthcare to every village. The flagship center

is an innovative medical and natal center in the village of Bodenky.

Parliament adopts law on organ transplantation.

New Ukrainian low-cost SkyUp Airlines to operate its first flights on May 21.

Ukrtelecom plans to connect eight thousand villages to the Internet.

Ukrainians are celebrating Europe Day, which appeared in the country 15 years ago and is celebrated every third Saturday of May.



From legacy to digital: Ukraine's plugged-in economy

Sweden's IKEA, H&M to enter Ukraine this year.

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Apple Pay launched in Ukraine.

Ukroliia certifies its products under USDA standard, gets opportunity to enter U.S. market.

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Ukraine increases chocolate exports by 31.3 percent. Most of Ukrainian chocolate was shipped to the EU, Kazakhstan, the U.S, Belarus and

Azerbaijan.

Norway is interested in Ukrainian energy sector.

Norwegian investments in the Ukrainian economy have reached \$7.23 million.

U.Ventures invest \$1.5 million in Ukrainian startups.

Hong Kong, Israeli and US accelerators help Ukrainian startups go global.



Left: Ukrainians celebrate [day of national embroidered shirt](#), vyshyvanka. Right: [Vyshyvanka history and modernity](#).



Loznitsa wins Cannes 'Un certain regard' prize for best director Ukrainian Elina Svitolina wins Rome tournament, back-to-back

Ukrainian film director Serhiy [Loznitsa has won a best director prize in the Cannes film festival's Un Certain Regard competition for Donbass](#), his odyssey about the conflict in eastern Ukraine.

Elina [Svitolina defeats Halep](#) to win back-to-back titles in Rome. The Ukrainian bested the world No. 1 in the first set.

The [largest archive of Ukrainian folklore songs](#) is online. The archive includes 931 songs recorded in 80 Ukrainian villages.

Ukrainian [cyclist wins gold medal at the Grand Prix in Austria](#).



Left: Greatness that cannot be ignored – the [Potocki palace: Lviv's grandest residence](#).

Right: «Vinok» wreath – [Ukrainian headdress or flower crown](#).



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