



CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

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Supporters will march in solidarity with Crimea

NATO accuses Russia of escalating disinformation campaign

President: The political provisions of the [Minsk agreements can only be implemented after undeniable progress in security](#) components.

NATO accuses Russia of escalating its disinformation campaign, saying [Russian websites such as Sputnik and RT have posted false stories](#).

Trump administration confirms [anti-Russian sanctions to remain in place](#).

"Poland will not accept carving up Europe into spheres of influence. [Never again Munich or Yalta](#)," – Waszczykowski, on Russia threat.

[Belarus doesn't need a Russian air base](#) – Lukashenko.

March of [solidarity with occupied Crimea to take place in Kyiv on Feb 26](#), - Chubarov

Authenticity of more than [400,000 signatures that](#)

[triggered Dutch referendum on Ukraine unverified](#).

Six outrageous [lies Russian disinformation peddled about Europe](#) in 2016.

Three [UK academics specializing in military history](#) are currently participating in meetings and propaganda media shoots in Russian-occupied Crimea.

[Russia uses collaborators at UN](#) to deny its repression of Crimean Tatars.

Cyberwar: [top operations of Ukrainian Cyber Alliance \(UCA\) in 2016](#).

[StopFakeNews #120](#) with Christi Anne Hofland.

This week's fakes: Ukrainian President is advocating lifting Russia sanctions; a new "Caliphate" will be built for Crimean Tatars in Kherson province, and Kyiv will kill stray dogs in the capital before Eurovision.

Left: [Yana, wife of 26-year-old officer Maris Kaminsky killed near Avdiivka on Feb 3, has posted a poignant statement](#). Yana is expecting their first child. Right: How Russian state media [misinformed the audience on the escalation in Avdiivka](#).



VIOLENCE IN THE UKRAINIAN CITY OF AVDIIVKA

What pro-Kremlin outlets said:



THERE ARE NO RUSSIAN TROOPS ON THE GROUND

What actually happened:



RUSSIAN-BACKED MILITANTS STARTED SHELLING UKRAINIAN POSITIONS

With Kremlin war against Ukraine resumed, how should the EU react?

Like Hitler, Putin told the West what he'd do – and the West ignored him

Ten years ago, [Vladimir Putin told the Munich Security Conference exactly what he intended to do to oppose the West and restore Russia's greatness](#) – "but the West didn't believe".

Putin said to be [plotting a new refugee crisis to influence EU elections](#).

The Kremlin resumes its [war against Ukraine. How should the EU react?](#)

Rules out the window: the [Trump and Putin era. More uncertainty? More disruption?](#) Marta Dyczok interviews Matthew Kaminski, Politico's Executive Editor, who talks about politics and journalism in an uncertain world.

Ilya Yashin, member of Russian political opposition forces and ally of Alexey Navalny and late Boris Nemtsov, believes that the alleged [tapes of Ukrainian MP Oleksandr Onyshchenko are a part of Kremlin's plan aimed at expanding into Ukraine](#).

From CIA archives: [Stepan Bandera's 1954 interview](#) with German radio.

Unique [collection of OUN's official records found](#) in Ternopil region.

One of the greatest Crimean Tatars [Ayshe Seitmuratova, the only women of her nation the Soviets arrested and condemned twice](#), marks her 80th birthday.

More than 240,000 displaced children registered in Ukraine

OSCE confirms that Russia had been preparing 6 months to attack Avdiivka

Feb 13. [Relatively quiet day, 2 soldiers wounded](#), PM Groyzman against vigilante Donbas blockade.

Feb 12. Militants go back to the [“disturbing fire” practice](#). Two Ukrainian [soldiers wounded in battles near Mariupol](#); Two scouts still missing.

More than [240,000 displaced children](#) registered in Ukraine.

[Krasnohorivka shelling aftermath, blockade continues](#), Kremlin denies Russian tanks in Donbas.

Separatist [commander 'Givi' killed](#) in Eastern Ukraine. [Mystery grows as series of deaths in Russian-backed enclaves continues](#).

Why are the [“heroes of the Russian Spring” blowing up?](#)

[“Kremlin is eliminating everyone. You will celebrate my death soon,”](#) - terrorist Girkin.

[OSCE Monitors reject Russian Foreign Minister’s lies](#) about Donbas escalation.

Russia [obstructs work of OSCE monitors](#) in Donbas.

Russian T-90 tank [shelled hospital in Donbas but OSCE didn’t want to record the attack](#).

[OSCE confirms that Russia had been preparing six months to attack Avdiivka](#) in Donbas.

What happened in [Avdiivka. Military Analysis](#).

A group of veterans attempt to [block trade between Ukraine and the occupied Donbas](#); activists accuse authorities of making millions from trade with terrorists. The campaigners believe the blockade can cut off the funding to LDNR.

Members of Ukrainian Armed Forces [58th Brigade support “DPR”/“LPR” blockade: “Each hryvnia transferred there is spent on terrorism”](#).

One of the [most famous writers in Ukraine was detained](#) by law enforcement in Belarus for, in Russia’s wording, “involvement in terrorist activities.”

A Belarusian official says an order requiring Ukrainian author Serhiy Zhadan to leave the country and [barring him from entry was rescinded after high-level officials intervened](#).

Russian Federation deploys [new artillery brigade in Aдыgea](#) that threatens Ukraine and Georgia.

[Kremlin trolls exposed](#): Russia’s information war against Ukraine.

Left: Ukrainian jailed for insisting that Crimea is Ukraine has been [declared a political prisoner](#). “It is worse to live on one’s knees than to die standing”

Right: [Consequences of militants’ strikes](#) on Avdiivka.



European Film Academy calls on Russia to release Sentsov

Russia invents ‘terrorism’ and fights children in occupied Crimea

Ukrainians in Crimea: [Six sanctions for refusing a Russian passport](#).

Russia invents ‘terrorism’ and [fights children in occupied Crimea](#).

Russia to publish [“anti-Ukrainian Ukrainian newspaper”](#) in occupied Crimea.

European [Film Academy calls on Russia to release Sentsov](#).

Imprisoned Ukrainian [Library Director on trial for ‘extremism’ takes Russia to Strasbourg](#).

Czech government doubles quote for Ukrainian workers

Canada opens 98% of market to Ukrainian goods

Flight of 'black elephants' has [Ukraine's Central Bank Governor Gontareva on alert](#).

[Canada opens 98% of market to Ukrainian goods](#).

A [bill on the creation of an anti-corruption court in Ukraine has been submitted](#) to the Verkhovna Rada.

Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Foreign Ministry of Canada establish [Canada-Ukraine Stakeholder Advisory Council](#).

The Treaties Committee of the Federal Parliament of Australia has supported ending the [agreement between Ukraine and Australia on cooperation in the field of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes](#).

Ecology and Natural Resources Minister Ostap Semerak presents a [draft National Waste Management Strategy](#).

[Ukrainians support a law on official language](#). Opponents are in fact much fewer than it may seem.

[SBU stops activity of moneylaundering center](#) in Dnipro with 600 million UAH of turnover.

Feb 13. The [EU is rewarding Ukraine monetarily for reform success](#), a member of the European Commission makes an economic prediction, and more help is on the way for entrepreneurs.

[Criminal police performance](#) over 12-month period.

Committee of Voters of Ukraine: [Political parties spent half of state funds on public relations](#).

The Czech government has decided to [double its quota for Ukrainian workers](#) due to an acute labor shortage as the economy continues to grow strongly.

[HIV activist battles drugs and discrimination](#) in Ukraine. "HIV and war brought us closer together," she said. "We will never be the same again."

Left: [Ukrainian physicist constructs private solar station](#).
Right: [Illegal amber mining depletes Ukraine's West](#), - National Geographic.



Ukraine exported consumer goods to 92 countries in 2016

Beneath Ukraine's battlefields, some sanctuary and sparkling wine

'People are Ukraine's [greatest asset](#)': British Investor Emmanuel Cohen.

Ukrainian [smart voice-recording pendant overreaches its crowdfunding](#) goal in just 36 hours.

In 2016, Ukraine [exported finished consumer goods to 92 countries](#) totalling more than \$594 million.

Beneath Ukraine's battlefields, some [sanctuary and sparkling wine](#).

Ukraine's [buckwheat production increased by almost 40%](#) in 2016. In 2016, Ukraine's agriculture showed a 6.1% growth, mainly in the area of crop production.

Ease of doing [business index analysis: Hungary or Ukraine?](#)

Software piracy: why [you shouldn't get scared of outsourcing to Ukraine](#).

[The Dragon Spell, Ukraine's 1st full-length 3D animation,](#) reaps successful int'l box office sales.



A musical composition about famed Ukrainian opera singer Story of the Donetsk airport “cyborgs” to hit big screen

Ukrainian artist [Davyd Chychkan's "Lost Opportunities" exhibition was reopened in Kyiv](#) after it was attacked by the group of masked people.

Story of the “cyborgs”: Ukraine’s [Donetsk airport defenders to hit big screen.](#)

Ukrainian football player Roman [Zozulia fights against Nazi allegations in Spain.](#) Spain’s most

popular newspaper supports Ukrainian [footballer Zozulya: a lesson in patriotism.](#)

[Vasyl Slipak](#) was an opera singer with the Paris Opera before he enlisted with the Ukrainian military. In June 2016 he was shot and killed by enemy separatists.

Disabled Ukrainian [model fights social stigmas through fashion.](#)

Left: Ukrainian [tennis team defeats Australia](#) in Fed Cup.

Right: ‘[Lost Home](#)’ volunteer project: Photos of pets deserted in Donbas will be shown in Kyiv.



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