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## EuroMaidan Newsletter # 155

### Ukraine formally accuses Yanukovich of treason

President has called for the Holodomor to be recognized as "genocide"

Yanukovich denies ordering Euromaidan shootings. Kyiv announces [formal treason charge against the former president](#).

President Poroshenko has called for the Holodomor, the [Ukraine famine of the 1930s, to be recognized as "genocide."](#)

Three-quarters of [Ukrainians recognize Holodomor as genocide](#).

"[You are a unique example of courage, honor and practical mind](#)," – Donald Tusk, starting his Brussels speech in Ukrainian.

European Parliament sounds [alarm on anti-EU propaganda from Russia](#), IS terrorist groups.

[Poland expresses growing concern that Russia may engage militarily against it](#), - Foreign Minister Waszczykowski.

[Steinmeier declares European security threat](#) given Russia's aggression.

[Sweden brings back Cold War weapons](#) to deter

Kremlin.

[Pinchuk gave Trump \\$150,000 for 19-minute video call in 2015](#).

Why did a Ukrainian magnate give generous donations to [Trump Foundation? Hillary Clinton's foundation received money from the same billionaire](#) Victor Pinchuk.

The [Hague court accepts evidence of Russia's war crimes](#) in Ukraine.

The [Odesa tragedy: bloody trail of the "Russian spring"](#) – new film.

Ukrainian Prosecutor General: [35 convicted in Maidan cases, another 152 still to be tried](#).

[StopFakeNews #110](#) with Benjamin Cohen. Among the disinformation: Russian Sputnik agency's claims that life in Ukraine is worse than ever, an official Turkish delegation visiting Crimea turns out to be not so official, and in a first, a Russian site admits to a fake and apologizes.

Left: Mace: "In order to centralize the power in the hands of Stalin, what was needed was [to destroy the Ukrainian peasant, the Ukrainian intellectuals, the Ukrainian language, Ukrainian understanding of their history and to destroy Ukraine as such.](#)"

Right: 26 Nov 2016 [Holodomor 1932-33 Remembrance Day](#) when nearly 10 million of Ukrainians were murdered.



### Ukraine's 2020 goals range from realistic to unlikely

What happened to the Europe Ukrainians died for?

[How many Ukrainians died in the Holodomor?](#)

Under dispute is the number of people who died from starvation, ranging from 1.8 million to up to 15 million people.

[Stalin starved populations to death to russify](#) Ukraine, North Caucasus and Kazakhstan.

In Putin's Russia, it just got [easier to find the](#)

[perpetrators of Stalin's purges](#).

What [happened to the Europe Ukrainians died](#) for?

What [Euromaidan achieved](#): Only the facts.

Ukraine's [2020 goals range from realistic to unlikely](#).

The [Minimum Salary Raise](#) in Ukraine: Why so suddenly and at what cost for the economy?

## Disengagement of forces near Stanytsia Luhanska again fails

### Ukrainian military ready to liberate Dokuchaievsk city

[Disengagement of forces near Stanytsia Luhanska again fails](#) due to repeated attacks by LPR militants.

Kyiv says further [disengagement in Donbas possible after Debaltseve demilitarized](#).

[No significant change in combat zone over the past week](#). Ukrainian positions came under hostile fire from both small arms and heavy weapons. The tensest fights occurred in the Mariupol sector.

Nov 27. A Czech-based humanitarian organization, [People In Need](#), says it has been banned from [operating in the Donetsk](#) area of eastern Ukraine by Russia-backed separatists.

Ukrainian [volunteers develop new multi-functional drone](#).

Russia detains one more [‘spy’ in Crimea – now its own ex-military](#).

Russia investigates Ukrainian military commanders for alleged war crimes. [Criminal probe against six Ukrainian armed forces commanders](#) has been

launched.

Ukrainian military experts: [Russia wants the world to see Ukraine as a “terrorist state”](#).

Counter Strike: [SBU detains Russian servicemen](#) after a wave of Ukrainian ‘saboteur’ arrests.

Awaiting the command: [Ukrainian military ready to liberate Dokuchaievsk city](#). The majority of Dokuchaievsk residents confess that life in united Ukraine was way better.

[Front line – the boundary of life](#). Troitske.

[People in Toretsk struggle](#) as shelling cuts off water supply.

Prominent Kremlin-backed militant [admits they don’t want the Minsk Agreement to work](#).

Russia's [Ghost Army in Ukraine: Soldier discharged for refusing to fight in Donbas](#). Former contract serviceman complains to the Presidential Council on Human Rights.

Left: [Video on Russian military presence in Ukraine](#). InformNapalm

Right: Nov 27. [‘Very hard day’ in Donbas: Russian proxies pounding Mariupol area](#).

75 Russian military units that fight in Donbas [EN, UA, DE, RU subs]



## 2nd sentence on Ukrainian political prisoner whom Russia is driving insane

### In Russian-occupied Crimea, a ‘wrong’ opinion can mean jail

Cynical [second sentence passed on a Ukrainian political prisoner](#) whom Russia is driving insane.

A court in Moscow has [prolonged the pretrial detention of Ukrainian journalist Roman Sushchenko](#), who is being held in Russia on suspicion of espionage.

In Russian-occupied Crimea, a [‘wrong’ opinion can mean jail](#).

Russia [releases the son of Crimean Tatar leader Dzhemilev](#).

Oleksandr Kolchenko is spending a [3rd birthday in a Russian prison for opposing the annexation of Crimea](#).

[108 people being held hostage in occupied Donbas, 495 gone missing](#).

[People held captive by Russia-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine have alleged shocking torture](#) and mistreatment, and at least 109 people are still being held.

Ukrainian [hostages in the “LNR” and “DNR: The price of life](#).

## Ukraine-IMF cooperation at risk

### S&P upgrades Kyiv to 'B-' on domestic bond repayment, outlook stable

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The [Cabinet of Ministers has cancelled 367 resolutions and regulatory acts](#) as part of the government's plan for the deregulation of business activities in Ukraine.

Ukraine-[IMF cooperation is at risk](#).

A new annual [International Mayors Congress for mayors, local government leaders](#), and other local development stakeholders will be held in Kyiv on December 5, 2016.

[Saakashvili supporters rally](#) for early elections.

The [Index for Monitoring of Reforms \(iMoRe\) is at a very low level](#) for the second consecutive time. The law on the compensation to investors affected by fraud in the banking and financial sectors is evaluated at a negative of -1.8 points. Government gives local administrations the right to receive funds from local budgets for the payment of salaries – evaluated at +2 points.

[Agents of change: simple answers to making life better](#). Enthusiasts all over Ukraine change the

small things around them to influence the big ones.

Ukraine's [large and medium-sized enterprises see UAH 82 billion profits](#) against last year's loss.

EBRD willing to [take stake in Ukraine's largest state bank](#).

Two presidential election [polls show polarized results with Poroshenko, Tymoshenko taking lead](#).

[Spain puts Firtash on wanted list](#), arrests five accomplices.

Ukraine names [woman, 23, to head anti-corruption drive](#).

Court [refuses to release former Party of Regions faction leader Yefremov](#).

[Yanukovich questioned over Maidan massacre](#). He says he does not remember most of the events of February 20, 2014, the day of the fiercest clashes in central Kyiv. [Yanukovich's unrealistic claims](#) at news conference ridiculed in Ukraine.

Yanukovich says he [regrets not having suppressed Maidan with troops](#).

Left: [Ecobot car and innovative aircraft](#). Ukrainian makers impress at Maker Faire, family-friendly festival in Ukraine.

Right: [Conference for 'real geeks'](#) brings programmers from worldwide to Ukraine.



## World's most expensive spice now cultivated in Ukraine

### Ukrainian IT industry now employs 10,000 more people than last year

The Ukrainian [IT industry now employs 99,940](#) people — up from 89,300 last year.

Ukraine [industrial park boom depends on local authorities](#). Latest Khmelnytsky quest: [Bila Tserkva Industrial Park](#).

Ukrainian aircraft company Antonov completes [assembly of first An-132](#) (NATO reporting name: Cline), a twin-engine turboprop military transport aircraft.

From military equipment to health apps: Ukrainians presented their [start-up projects at the East European forum "Innovative Economy and Science"](#).

[World's most expensive spice is now cultivated in Kherson region](#). A kilo of saffron costs EUR 1,500 and up.

Left: Ukrainian film "[My Grandmother Fanny Kaplan](#)" wins Crystal Palace International Film Festival.

Right: Ukrainian [celebrities](#) took part in the photoshoot "[Shchyri](#)" (Sincere), dedicated to Ukrainian traditional costumes



## Cossack songs may be included on UNESCO Cultural Heritage list Ukrainian boxer defends World Champion title

[Lomachenko defends World Champ title](#), opponent surrenders after 7th round (video).

Archaeology proves [Zhytomyr is at least one thousand years old](#).

Top Ukrainian [conductor Makarenko fuses music and philosophy](#) to bring emotion to audience.

"[Indestructible](#)": exhibition opens to commemorate Holodomor.

The documentary film "[Lobanovskiy Forever](#)" receives "[Guirlande d'Honneur](#)" as best documentary movie at Sport Movies and TV - Milano International Ficts Fest.

Ukrainian [Cossack songs may be included on UNESCO Cultural Heritage list](#).

Left: Ukrainian young artist [Mykyta Kadan](#) wins [Malevich Award](#) sponsored by the Polish Institute.

Right: 10+ stunning [animal portraits](#) by photographer Sergey Polyushko



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