

# UKRAINE UNDER ATTACK

NEWSLETTER ON RUSSIAN OCCUPATION OF THE CRIMEA



They use Russian license plates. They carry Russian-made uniforms and weapons. They hoist Russian flags. But they aren't Russian. Really, Mr. Putin?

## RUSSIA HEADING TO WAR

Feb 26 – Russian nationalists in the Crimea demand independence

Feb 27 – Unidentified people occupy the Cabinet of Ministers. The government is toppled. Former mafia boss Aksyonov is installed as the puppet Prime Minister

March 1 – Putin appeals to parliament to allow occupation. On the same day the permission is granted.

OCCUPATION OF UKRAINE BEGINS

## Events of March 12-13

UN Deputy Secretary General Ivan Simonovic is barred by the occupation administration from visiting the Crimea. “Difficult situation on the ground” sighted as reason.

G7 countries urge Russia to “cease all efforts to change the status of Crimea contrary to Ukrainian law and in violation of international law” and “to immediately halt actions supporting a referendum on the territory of Crimea.

Ukrainian PM Yatseniuk meets Obama, Kerry. Ukraine’s full backing is promised. Sanctions to be imposed on Russia.

The leader of Crimean Tatars Mustafa Djemilev meets Moscow with Pres. Putin. Djemilev openly states his rejection of Russia’s actions. Putin indicates that “proclaiming Ukraine’s independence wasn’t quite legal”.

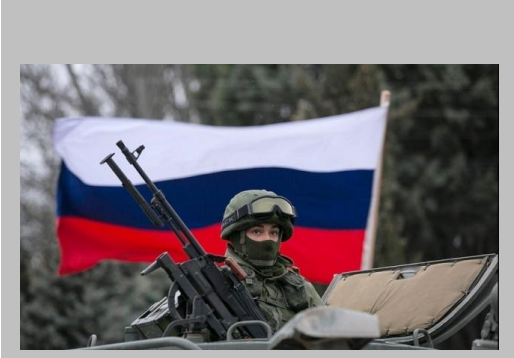
Panic is spreading in the Crimean supermarkets. People are stocking up for the case of war and isolation.

OSCE finds “enough evidence of Russian troops”.

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"I will kill two Ukrainians and receive a medal" – a Russian soldier on YouTube  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VrAUVq-E4ok>

- ✓ In view of a possible threat to Southern and Eastern Ukraine we won't be able to stop the occupation of the Crimea militarily. Ukrainian army will focus on the territories in East and South that are under Russian threat. – acting President of Ukraine **Olexander Turchynov**.
- ✓ Crimean Tatars will boycott the so-called referendum on March 16<sup>th</sup> – **Refat Chubarov**, head of the Tatar Medjlis in the Crimea.
- ✓ Both chambers of the **US Congress** pass resolutions condemning Russia's actions in the Crimea and stating the full support of Ukraine.
- ✓ **NATO** starts joint navy exercise in the Black Sea area.

## WWW.UACRISIS.ORG

'Ukraine is facing the threat of a full-scale invasion from various directions' - **Andriy Parubiy, Secretary of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine**. According to him, Russia accumulated on the Ukrainian border over 80,000 men, up to 270 tanks, up to 370 artillery systems, up to 140 combat aircrafts, up to 40 helicopters and up to 19 combat ships and boats. Russia plans a "Crimean scenario" throughout the southeastern Ukraine: seizure of administrative buildings followed by demands of a referendum. However, over the last days, these plans have been thwarted by Ukrainian law enforcement and local governments. Russia-financed and instigated sabotage groups, often armed, have been apprehended and put in Eastern and Southern Ukraine.

There are no signs of anti-Semitism in Ukraine. Regardless of their origin, Ukrainians are uniting to counter the common threat, **Moshe Reuven Azman, Chief Rabbi of Kyiv and Ukraine** said. "Jewish communities are under no threat. We made phone calls to all regional communities. We talked to Rabbis. They don't report any anti-Semitic statements".

<http://uacrisis.org/chief-rabbi-of-kyiv-and-ukraine-there-is-no-ethnic-or-religious-hatred-in-ukraine/>



Chief Rabbi of Kyiv and Ukraine: there is no ethnic hate in Ukraine!

**SUPPORT UKRAINE! DON'T LET PUTIN GET AWAY WITH IT!**

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**Russian Aggression.  
The map as of March 12**

New rules by Crimea's puppet Prime Minister Aksyonov (a.k.a. Goblin):

All coastline objects to be "redistributed in favor of Russian investors".

All vessels and infrastructure of Ukrainian Black Sea fleet to be nationalized by the puppet Cabinet.

All solar power plants (Crimea's only own source of energy) to be nationalized by the Cabinet.

- PM Yatseniuk meeting Pres. Obama in Washington



### YATSENIUK TO AMERICA: WE WILL NEVER SURRENDER

CNN: U.S. President Barack Obama and Ukrainian interim Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk had strong words for Russia on Wednesday as Washington again warned Moscow there will be consequences if it doesn't remove its troops from Crimea and Kiev said that it will "never surrender."

But Yatsenyuk also said after his meeting with Obama at the White House that Ukraine, a former Soviet Republic, wants to be good friends with Russia.

At a meeting of an international affairs think tank called the Atlantic Council in Washington, Yatsenyuk further explained.

"We still want to have a free (and) equal partnership with Russia. And you can't do it having a military incursion. We do not consider a military option as the best option on how to fix this crisis," he said.

**FOREIGN MINISTER DESHCHYTSYA: UKRAINIAN CRIMEA IS THE ONLY THING STANDING BETWEEN TODAY'S REALITY AND THE REALITY OF LAWLESSNESS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

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*"There are no Russian troops in the Crimea"? Then who are these?*

For more information, please contact Press-Service of Ukrainian MFA and Ukrainian Embassies worldwide. Ukrainian diplomats are ready to comment and explain.

<http://mfa.gov.ua/en/about-mfa/abroad/embassies>

The latest MFA statements on the Crimea:

<http://mfa.gov.ua/en/press-center/news/19328-zajava-ministerstva-zakordonnih-sprav-ukrajini>

<http://mfa.gov.ua/ua/press-center/briefing/1199-brifing-v-mzs>

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