

# TO PREVENT DESTRUCTION OF UKRAINIAN STATEHOOD

## Statement of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Ukraine

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Three years of power of the comprador nationalistic-oligarchy regime put Ukraine back in socio-economic development on several decades, tragically affected life of tens million of our compatriots, created real threat of loss statehood of the Ukrainian people.

These years were marked by:

- unprecedented decline of the domestic economy (the GDP hardly exceeds one third of the level of early 90-s in USD equivalent), system degradation and total deindustrialization, depreciation of fixed assets for more than by 80%;

- crucial blows on fundamental and applied science;

- reduction for more than by half of export potential, dangerous increase of dependence on import of industrial products, food, medicines and drugs;

- national currency (hryvnia) devaluation, gross inflation, rapid growth of prices and establishment of predatory, unbearable for tens million of citizens communal tariffs, prices for transport and others services, destruction of the financial system, robbery of huge amount of depositors through artificial banks bankruptcy;

- deepening of the property and social stratification of the society as a result of catastrophic impoverishment of the majority of population, quarter of which is out of the survival trait, together with enrichment of the small group of powers, what clearly evidenced by electronic declarations of MPs and top rank officials;

- factual deprivation of citizens of many constitutional rights and freedoms, destruction of the most fair system of social guarantees, including right on work, free medical care, that has become practically unavailable for millions of disadvantaged people; transformation of Ukraine into the dying out country;

- destroy of the judicial system, degradation of the system of Procurator office, dangerous clashes between state enforcement authorities;

- total corruption of the state management and law enforcement bodies, destruction of professionalism and responsibility in all spheres of state activities.

Ukraine actually was set under the external management, what, on essence, deprives it of public sovereignty. Internal and external policy of state are defined by, as well as the most important public decisions including staffing are dictated by the United States of America, European Union, NATO, International Monetary Fund. Widely advertised integration into the EU structures, implementation of imposed by them so-called "reforms" have not any positive results for Ukraine and its people.

Promises of leaders of the new-Nazi regime to "live on-new", to develop democracy, self-government, to decentralize power factually were turned into the establishment of the authoritarian regime in the country, concentration of practically unlimited powers in hands of the head of the state, transformation of Ukraine into the totalitarian, police state. The Parliament degraded, law-making process is transformed into the "pushing" of needed by ruling regime legal acts, with gross violations of the Constitution and Parliamentary rules and procedures.

Never before during years of independence of Ukraine were our people so helpless before arbitrariness and corruption of officials, racketeering and ridership, violations of human rights and freedoms, infringement of property, life and health.

After cope in February, 2014 Nazi ideology became the state one in violation of the Constitution. Campaigns aimed at deprivation of the people of Ukraine of historical memory, changing the results of the Great Patriotic war, "heroization" of the fascist collaborators are deployed at the state level. Warriors of the Soviet Army freed Ukraine of invaders are announced as occupants. Delegation of Ukraine together with delegation of the USA voted against adoption the UN resolution, condemning "heroization" of Nazi criminals again this year.

Opposition is brutally suppressed including by hands of armed bandits. Any manifestations of freethinking, protests, peace rallies are prohibited; its participants are subjected to repressions, moral and physical terror. Offices of opposition parties and movements are robbed and destroyed.

Imposed by the top officials campaign on ban Communist Party of Ukraine unfoundedly accused in violation of the Constitution continues for three years.

Establishment of the neo-Nazi regime in country, violation of generally accepted citizens' rights and freedoms in particular linguistic were the main reasons of dangerous aggravation of the situation in country and finally led to actual loss of Crimea and fratricidal civil war, unleashed by the Kiev regime against citizens of Ukraine, living in Donetsk and Lugansk areas, to sharp deterioration of the relations with Russian Federation. This war is ongoing under the false cover of "anti-terrorist operation".

Ten thousand military personnel and peace citizens including children, women and elderly are died and injured. More than two million lost their homes and became internally displaced persons or search protection abroad. Innocent blood continues to flow. Economy of the Donbass is destroyed in large scale. The state bears huge loss. To justify crimes, committed regarding its people, neo-Nazi regime represent this started by it civil war as the war between Russia and Ukraine.

Activation of neo-Nazis in Ukraine brings a complexity in relations with neighboring countries, in particular with Poland, Hungary, Romania, creates threat of territorial claims. Judicial processes on property restitution (return) in interests of foreign citizens are started in particular considering land sites owned by them before 1939.

Processes in Ukraine, especially revelry of corruption, absence of positive results of "reforms", Nazi sallies without repulse or even conviction from authorities deeply concern western countries.

Protests caused by failure to implement promises given after coup by its organizers, unsatisfactory state management, flawed personnel policy, led to catastrophic deterioration of the domestic economy, worsening of the conditions of majority of citizens and threat of collapse of Ukraine, grow everywhere in country. State authorities, higher officials, political parties catastrophically lose trust and support in society.

**Expressing deep concern about these developments, we believe that the country salvation, prevention of loss of Ukraine, debarment its collapse are now CRITICAL, URGENT TASKS.**

**At first, it is necessary to stop the war on East of the country, resettle relations with Russia.** It is not easy task of course, after three years of mutual charges, injection of "russofobic" moods in Ukraine and "ukrainefobic" moods in Russia. But our countries are destined to always be next. Peoples of Ukraine and Russia are linked by the centuries-old common destiny, general

interests. We completely felt the scale of tragedy of the unnatural brake of neighborly relations during past three years.

It is necessary to stop the militarist rhetoric and inciting hatred speeches of homegrown "strategists", who do not pay attention that there are no military solutions. They don't understand the longer confrontation, bloodshed, ruining the cities and villages continue, the harder it is to get out of the current difficult situation, revive the country.

It is necessary **on mutually agreed basis** to take bold steps, take advantage of that international community, participants of the Norman four are for peaceful conflict solution on the basis of the Minsk arrangements. It is to be insured that agreements to be concluded for the peaceful solution, contained real guarantees of implementation and necessarily would be implemented.

Recent events have shown, that in current situation in the world and in Europe, only **neutral, nonaligned status with strong guarantees of security**, established by the official documents of the UN Security Council, other international organizations is acceptable for our country. However it is important that this were not only verbal declarations, good wishes.

With regard to **economic problems of Ukraine and ways of its overcome**, after peace settlement on the East of Ukraine all these problems are necessary to be discussed with wide participation of specialists-professionals and authoritative representatives of appropriate institutions of the EU and Eurasian Union.

Tragic events at the Eastern Ukraine confirmed that necessary precondition of the consolidation of our multinational society is to **take into account peculiarities of regions**, each of them has its specificity (ethnic composition, religious confessions, attitude to the past, historical events and figures, symbolism etc.). Attempts of one group to impose to another or to the whole society its preferences (as militaristic nationalists, chauvinists supported by authorities does now), usually, brings negative consequences.

Taking into account the experience of other states, in particular USA, Germany etc., it is proposed to consider numerous propositions on improvement of the state structure of Ukraine including introduction of the **federal form** with strong constitutional guarantees of its integrity and unity. This will serve as a reliable antidote from the separatist manifestations.

On essence, such approach is established by the Minsk agreements for some parts of Donetsk and Lugansk oblasts, which now are not under the control of Kiev authorities. Agreements are based on fact that these regions, that are organic part of Ukraine, should be provided with **special status** and powers, taking into account its' specificity.

Status, features of elections of regional and local self-government should be developed with participation of these regions (they are called self-proclaimed **Donetsk and Lugansk People Republics**). Despite the attitude to those who manage these regions today they represent real power there. Therefore they should participate in negotiations, find mutually acceptable solutions. Without this conflict is not to be settled, bloodshed will continue.

It is **extremely important to guarantee, that during the process of solution and after it population of current DPR and LPR will not be subjected repressions**, despite threatening of neo-Nazis. Consolidation of our divided society is impossible without constitutionally and legislatively fixed guarantees.

Obvious bankruptcy of current authorities inevitably will require **early parliamentary** and, perhaps **presidential elections**. Parliamentary elections should be conducted on **proportional system** (on party lists). In case of conservation of mixed electoral system new parliament will have even worse composition, than current.

Clearly this requires urgent **developing and adoption of the new electoral law**.

It is necessary **to stop endless experiments with the Constitution of Ukraine**. Its positions required improvements should be revised **comprehensively** but not changed partially. Implementing this one should consider, in particular, proposals:

- on federative composition of Ukraine;
- on transition to parliamentary form of state management and abolition of the institute of president, etc.

Considering current situation, it is important:

- to take urgent **measures to ensure full implementation of the Constitution of Ukraine**, established rights and freedoms of citizens;
- to immediately **eliminate all illegal armed units**;
- to **call to order public officials, which allow actions, incompatible with the requirements of the Constitution of Ukraine** (hatred and racist statements, of some officials); prevent **provocative actions**, which can complicate situation, new bloodshed;
- to **stop mockery over historical true**, not-comprehensive revision of the history;
- to **implement without delay given to the Venice Commission promises** to review laws on lustration and decommunization, roughly violated Constitution, and bring them into conformance with the Constitution of Ukraine and democratic practice of the European states;
- to vigorously stand **against social demagogy**, which is used by those politicians who possess or dream to possess power, tricking gullible people.

Concrete proposals with regard to breeding domestic economy from deep crisis are set out in our **Anti-crisis program**, which was presented to state authorities but was ignored.

Our party comes out with **the initiative to organize public discussion of proposals aimed** at normalization and stabilization of the situation in country.

For organization of this work **the group of experienced, authoritative public figures should be formed** and authorized for the preparation of appropriate documents basing on results of public discussion for subsequent review in order established by the Constitution of Ukraine.

Communist Party is ready to take active participation in this work.

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