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In today's [#vatniksoup](#), I'll introduce a Ukrainian-Canadian political scientist, Ivan Katchanovski ([@I\\_Katchanovski](#)). He's best-known for exaggerating the role of far-right and neo-Nazi involvement in the Ukrainian politics and in the Russo-Ukrainian War.

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Katchanovski received his PhD from the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University. Even though his h-index is measly 21, his academic record is pretty remarkable; among other feats, he's worked as a visiting researcher at the Davis Center for...

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Ivan Katchanovski Profile Connections

### Biography



Ivan Katchanovski teaches at the School of Political Studies and the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Ottawa. He was Visiting Scholar at the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard University, Visiting Assistant Professor at the Department of Politics at the State University of New York at Potsdam, Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto, and Kluge Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Kluge Center at the Library of Congress. His academic publications include four books, 12 book chapters, and 18 articles in refereed journals. He received his Ph.D. from the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University under the direction of Seymour Martin Lipset.



His publications, interviews, and comments appeared in over 1,500 media outlets in more than 70 countries. They include Associated Press, BBC Ukrainian, Canadian Press, CBC, CBC News, CBC Radio, CTV, CTV News, Financial Post, Fox 9 News, France 24, France Télévisions, Daily Beast, Global TV, Globe and Mail, Guardian, La Presse, Métro, Omni Television, National Post, Radio Canada International, Reuters, Times Higher Education, Vice, Voice of America, Washington Post, Washington Times, Yahoo News Canada, ABC Radio, Al-Jazeera, Annahar, ARD radio, Canadian Dimension, Channel One, China Newsweek, CNN Brazil, Consortium News, Deník N, Der Standard, East & West, Espresso, Euronews, Frettabladid, Jyllands-Posten, La Razón, Mail & Guardian, Metro World News, Moscow Times, Nacional, NIUS diario, OpenDemocracy, OstWest, Prague Post, Pravda (Slovakia), R24, Radio National, Real News, RT, Rubikon, Sky News Australia, Telepolis, Transitions Online (Central Europe Review), TRT World, Truthout, Veja, Weltwoche, WION TV, 112 Ukraine TV, 24 Channel, Apostrophe, Avers TV, First National Channel, ICTV, Holos Ukrainy, Kommentarii, Kyiv Post, NewsOne, Radio Liberty, Priamyi Kanal, Radio Svoboda, RBC Ukraine, Strana, STB, Volyn, Volyn TV, and Ukrainska pravda.



...Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard University.

Ivan is all about them "far-right elements" in Ukraine. His main narrative is that there is a small but powerful bloc of far-right actors who are integrated into the Ukrainian Army and are tolerated by President...

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**The Far Right in Ukraine During the Euromaidan and the War in Donbas**  
Authors: Ivan Katchanovski  
Publication date: 2016/9/2  
Journal: Available at SSRN 2832203  
Description: This paper analyzes the role of far right in the Ukrainian politics during the "Euromaidan" and the war in Donbas. The issue of the involvement of Ukrainian far right organizations in the "Euromaidan" and the war in Donbas have been politicized and polarized. Russian and separatist politicians and the media often presented the "Euromaidan" as a "fascist coup" and the Maidan government as a "fascist junta." In contrast, the governments and the mainstream media in Western countries tended to present the role of the far right in the "Euromaidan" and in post-Maidan Ukraine, specifically in the conflict in Donbas, as marginal. Previous academic studies generally reached similar conclusions. They focused on numerical strength and electoral support for the far right parties and ignored other aspects of influence of the radical nationalist and neo-fasc parties, specifically their role in the political violence, such as the Maidan and Odessa massacres and the war in Donbas. However, the number of academic studies of the contemporary far right in Ukraine is generally limited.  
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**The Maidan Massacre in Ukraine: A Summary of Analysis, Evidence and Findings**  
Authors: Ivan Katchanovski  
Publication date: 2016  
Book: The Return of the Cold War: Ukraine, the West and Russia  
Pages: 220-224  
Publisher: Routledge  
Description: This chapter presents key elements of analysis, evidence and conclusions of the first academic study of the massacre of more than 50 Euromaidan protesters and policemen in the Maidan area of Kyiv in Ukraine on 20 February 2014. The official investigation concluded that Yanukovich and his top officials in the Security Service of Ukraine (SBU) and Ministry of Internal Affairs organized the massacre. This chapter presents a study, which employs interpretative and content analyses of various sources of evidence concerning the Maidan massacre. The analysis of the various evidence of killing and wounding of specific protesters indicates that they were shot from Maidan-controlled locations. The study uses content analysis of all publicly available videos of the massacre, many of which were unreported, suppressed or misrepresented. It provides a rational explanation for the failure of the government investigation to...  
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**The far right, the Euromaidan, and the Maidan massacre in Ukraine**  
Authors: Ivan Katchanovski  
Publication date: 2020/12/19  
Journal: Journal of Labor and Society  
Volume: 23  
Issue: 1  
Pages: 5-36  
Publisher: Brill  
Description: This study examines the role of the far right in the Euromaidan in Ukraine, primarily in the Maidan massacre and other key cases of violence. The involvement of far-right organizations in these crucial events in the Ukrainian and world politics has been politicized and polarized in Ukraine, the West, and Russia. This study analyzes various data sources, such as online live streams and TV broadcasts, videos, broadcasts of the Maidan massacre trials, the database of court decisions in Ukraine, media reports, and field research on the Maidan. The findings reveal that radical nationalist and neo-fasc organizations had significant but minority representation among the Maidan leadership and protesters. However, the analysis shows that the far-right organizations and football ultras played a key role in political violence such as attempting to seize the presidential administration and the parliament. It reveals involvement of ...  
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...Zelensky, and that they also played a crucial role in the so-called Maidan massacre. Per Ivan, "the Maidan massacre [...] was a successful false flag operation, which was organized and conducted with involvement of oligarchic and far right elements of the Maidan...

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#### Conclusion

This paper shows that the Maidan massacre of the protestors and the police on February 20, 2014 involved the far right and oligarchic parties, and it was a key element of the violent overthrow of the corrupt and oligarchic but democratically elected government in Ukraine. The study is based on a theoretical framework of rational choice and Weberian theory of instrumentally-rational action and analysis of a large volume of different sources of publicly available evidence.

The various kinds of evidence analyzed from such a theoretical perspective indicate that armed groups and the leadership of the far right organizations, such as the Right Sector and Svoboda, and oligarchic parties, such as Fatherland, were directly or indirectly involved in various capacities in this massacre of the protestors and the police. This mass killing was a successful false flag operation, which was organized and conducted by elements of the Maidan leadership and concealed armed groups in order to win the asymmetric conflict during the "Euromaidan" and seize power in Ukraine. This study also provides a rational explanation for the failure of the government investigation to find and prosecute those directly involved in this mass killing and for falsification of the investigation. However, specific nature and degree of the involvement of each of these political organizations and specific leaders and armed protestors remains unclear. Such a false flag massacre by its nature could have been organized and successfully carried out only by a small number of Maidan leaders and protestors. The absolute majority of the Maidan protestors, activists, members, and supporters of the "Euromaidan" mass protests and parties that led these protests, including the victims among the protestors, were not aware about the actual organizers and perpetrators of this politically motivated murder and not involved in any other way in this mass killing.

The study shows that concealed armed Maidan groups, which were based in particular in Music Conservatory and the Trade Union buildings, started the massacre in the early morning on February 20 by targeting Berkut and Internal Troops units on the Maidan itself with live ammunition fire, inflicting their mass casualties, and forcing them to retreat. Then the armed Maidan groups, in particular the same ones, massacred the unsuspecting Maidan protestors from concealed positions. The analysis of circumstances, timing, and locations of specific killings of 49 protestors presents evidence that almost all of them were killed from the Maidan-controlled buildings and locations, in particular the Hotel Ukraine and Zhovtnevyi Palace. This study presents direct evidence, such as videos, photos, and witness testimonies, concerning groups of the Maidan "snipers" in these buildings and their shooting from these positions in the directions of the protestors at the same time when the protestors were killed and wounded from these directions from the same caliber and types of weapons.

...opposition and snipers in order to overthrow the government and seize power in Ukraine."

After Oct 2014, he started presenting his theory on the events of the Maidan massacre. His 2015 paper argues that it was actually the snipers from the Maidan-controlled areas that...

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...caused most of the fatalities. In his 2016 book chapter on nominally peer-reviewed Journal of Labor and Society, he again argued that "the Right Sector and Svoboda had crucial roles in [...] in the Maidan massacre of the protesters and the police."

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The far right, the Euromaidan, and the Maidan massacre in Ukraine

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How can people deny false-flag Maidan massacre in Ukraine despite overwhelming evidence, such as testimonies of absolute majority of wounded Maidan protesters, over 500 witnesses & 14 members of Maidan sniper groups, videos & forensic experts examinations?

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Official investigation matched the used bullets to the weapons used by Berkut, the Ukrainian special police force working under Yanukovych. Researchers at Carnegie-Mellon University have refuted Ivan's claims by using a detailed reconstruction of the events from various..

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### Maidan trial: Experts tell how they find bullets from Berkut officers' guns

Дата: 26 July 2016

At the court hearing in the case against five former officers of the Berkut special riot police force, accused of killing people during Maidan protests, the ballistics experts explained why the examinations of bullets had shown different results.

As UNIAN news agency correspondent reports, the ballistics experts from two scientific and expert institutions, who had carried out the examination of the bullets within the framework of pre-trial investigation of the case, were questioned during the court hearing.

The experts explained why no match between the bullets and the weapons, which had been assigned to the Berkut special force, had been found as a result of the examination of the bullets held in January 2015, whereas the examination carried out in December of the same year had showed such a match.

The experts told that the first examination was carried out by comparing the photos of bullets after their control shooting in 2012 with the bullets, seized at the scene. Since the Automatic Identification System works in 2D format, it compares only flat images, without taking into account the texture of the material under study. Therefore, the experts decided, having appealed to the investigating authorities, to carry out another probe and to examine the bullets manually, in the classical way by studying the bullets under the microscope.

It was this technique which, according to experts, is more perfect, found the match between the weapons and the bullets.

June 21, the prosecutors in the case of former Berkut officers made public the expert examination results, according to which, two out of twelve identified machine guns which belonged to former Berkut officers Oleksandr Zinchenko and Pavlo Abroskin and were used to kill three Euromaidan activists and wound two activists on February 20, 2014.

In 2014, the Prosecutor General's Office of Ukraine submitted to court the criminal proceedings against former Berkut officers Oleksandr Zinchenko and Pavlo Abroskin, suspected of killing 39 Maidan activists on February 20, 2014.

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### Prosecutor General: Maidan Protesters Were Shot from the Guns of Berkut Weapons

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An investigation has proved that a number of bullets which struck Maidan protesters in Kyiv were shot from the weapons of the "Berkut" special riot police. Roman Psiuk, of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine, reported this to journalists following a court hearing on the killings of 48 Maidan protesters on February 20, 2014. [Ligo.net](#) [ed.: the text of this hyperlink is in the Russian language] informs.

The prosecution submitted findings of ballistic examination of bullets removed from injured protesters. "The examination identified that these bullets had been shot from assault rifles of the "Berkut" special riot police," Psiuk asserted.

The defense attorneys of ex-Berkut officers accuse the prosecution of fabrication of the findings of ballistic examinations. Psiuk countered that the examination had been conducted by independent experts of the Ministry of Interior and Kyiv Forensic Examination Institute, not by the Prosecutor's Office.

The next court hearing with regard to ex-Berkut officers will take place on June 30.

Source: *Ukrayinska Pravda*

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### Ukrainian prosecutor: the latest examination proved the fault of the Berkut people in the shooting of Maidan activists

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Svyatoshinsky district court of Kiev completed the study of ballistic examinations in criminal proceedings against five former employees of the special unit "Berkut" accused of killing activists of "euromaidan" in February 2014. Experts' conclusion confirms the guilt of the defendants, reports [RIA News](#) Statement by the Prosecutor General Prosecutor of Ukraine Alexei Donskoy.



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Also, New York Times made an extensive research based on 3-D models on the events in 2018:

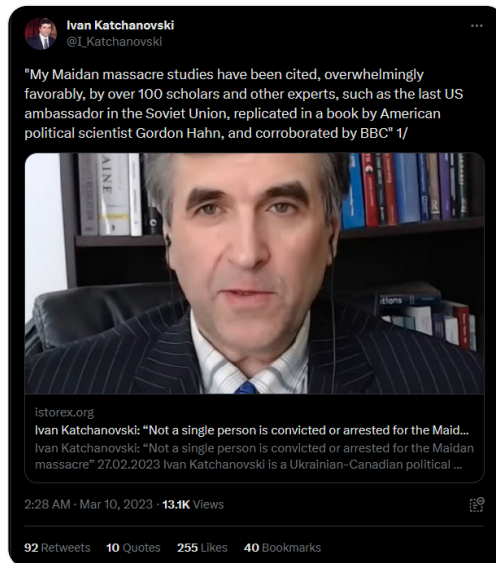
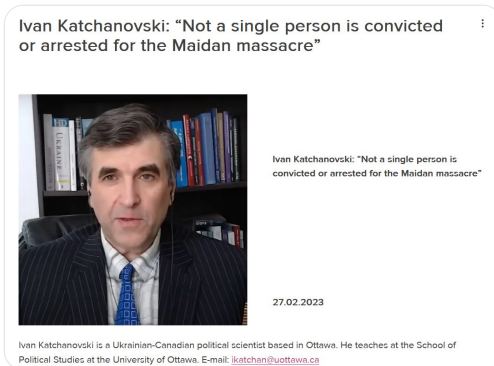
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In Feb 2023, Ivan gave an interview to an obscure journal called "Historical Expertise". The journal seems to focus on Russian history and culture, but it also contains a lot of pro-Kremlin propaganda in the form of interviews and articles. Anyway, the interview is titled..

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"Not a single person is convicted or arrested for the Maidan massacre", and in it Katchanovski makes a rather bold statement that it was actually the involvement of Ukrainian far-right actors that led to the annexation of Crimea, "civil war" in Ukraine, and to the...

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Dear Prof. Katchanovski, the pretext of our interview is an upsetting case when two reviewers and an editor approved your article regarding the Maidan massacre, but the editorial board of an academic journal (you hide its name) rejected the publication by political reasons. Before to discuss that scandalous event I suggest to put it in a broader context: what a honest researcher should do in the current situation of Russian invasion into Ukraine, is it possible to criticize wrongdoings of Ukrainian politicians if the Russian propaganda will use them against Ukraine?

My research of the Maidan massacre is purely academic. Honest researchers cannot censor or falsify results of scholarly studies for any political reasons in order to cover up or whitewash mass murderers. The Maidan massacre is a major human rights violation and a case of political mass murder. Those oligarchic and far-right Maidan politicians, who were involved in the Maidan massacre of the protesters and the police, bear not only responsibility for this grave political crime but also significant responsibility for its extremely damaging consequences to Ukraine. It led to the overthrow of the Ukrainian government and ultimately led or contributed to the Russian annexation of Crimea, a civil war in Donbas, Russian military interventions in Crimea and Donbas, and international conflicts between Ukraine and Russia and the West and Russia. Russia drastically escalated these conflicts by invading Ukraine on February 24, 2022. Russian propaganda concerning the Maidan and this war is not based on research by scholars. Moreover, research by scholars, including my own academic studies, show that that claims of the Russian government and the media concerning the fascist coup in 2014, the neo-Nazi regime, and genocide in Ukraine are propaganda. I do not give interviews to the media in Russia. I refused before the Russian invasion to testify as an expert at the special meeting of the UN Security Council concerning the Maidan massacre in Ukraine.

...Russian military intervention in Donbas. Apparently the Kremlin's military interference, their meddling with Yanukovich, their plans to make Ukraine into a Belarus-like totalitarian state, their funding of pro-Kremlin politicians had nothing to do with all this.

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“SP”: In general, it's fantastic - how many different variants of the future history of Ukraine could be. I heard a version that if in 2014 Yanukovich had shown firmness and the country would have gone, if not on a pro-Russian, then at least not on an anti-Russian path, not residents of Donbas, but Western Ukraine, for whom the dream of entering Europe overshadowed everything, would have become “separators”.

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- There were conversations about this much earlier. I will tell you something that no one has ever done before he didn't tell me. I was holding in my hands a document developed by Party analysts regions in which the scenario of Yanukovich's lifelong presidency was considered. It was obvious that by building friendly relations with the Russian Federation, achieving economic growth, raising the standard of living, all this can be done realistically. Two presidential terms, constitutional amendment, two more terms... And the only threat the implementation of these plans in life saw one thing: Western Ukraine will always undermine the situation on the territory of the whole country and will do everything to prevent such implement the scenario. And then a plan was drawn, according to which Tyahnybok, who received money, including from the Party of Regions cash register, would advocate separatism, for the separation of a number of western regions into an autonomous entity that does not support the central government. Well, the central government would have to “reluctantly” agree. So events could develop like this.

«СП»: Вообще это фантастика – сколько могло быть разных вариантов дальнейшей истории Украины. Слышал я версию, что если бы в 2014 году Янукович проявил твердость и страна бы пошла если не по пророссийскому, то хотя бы не по антироссийскому пути, «сепаратами» стали бы не жители Донбасса, а Западной Украины, для которых мечта о вхождении в Европу затмевала всё...

— Об этом разговоры шли значительно раньше. Расскажу вам то, чего никому раньше не рассказывал. Я держал в руках документ, разработанный аналитиками Партии регионов, в котором рассматривался сценарий пожизненного президентства Януковича. Было очевидно, что, выстраивая дружеские отношения с Российской Федерацией, добиваясь роста экономики, повышения уровня жизни, все это сделать реально. Два президентских срока, изменение Конституции, еще два срока... И единственная угроза воплощению этих планов в жизнь виделась одна: Западная Украина всегда будет расшатывать ситуацию на территории всей страны и сделает все, чтобы не дать такой сценарий реализовать. И тогда нарисовался план, согласно которому Тягнибок, получавший деньги в том числе и из кассы Партии регионов, стал бы выступать за сепаратизм, за отделение ряда западных областей в автономное образование, не поддерживающее центральную власть. Ну, а центральной власти пришлось бы «скрепя сердце» согласиться. Так что события могли развиваться и так.

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The so-called “Surkov Leaks” have reinvigorated the discussion of Moscow’s involvement in the war in Ukraine and the emergence of “people’s republics” in the east of the country.

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Russia watchers have been intrigued by the recent email leak of Vladislav Surkov – Russia’s adviser responsible for policies towards Ukraine and Russia’s satellite states in northern Georgia. The so-called “Surkov Leaks” have reinvigorated the discussion of Moscow’s involvement in the war in Ukraine and the emergence of “people’s republics” in the east of the country. The leaks confirm the Kremlin’s involvement in the armed conflict in the Donbas, and make clear that fueling the conflict in east Ukraine is just one part of Moscow’s broader policy for undermining the Ukrainian state.

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### The Surkov Leaks: The Inner Workings of Russia's Hybrid War in Ukraine

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Academics need to be extremely careful in what they say, especially so when discussing over geopolitics. Ivan claims to be "neutral" and boasts that he usually doesn't give interviews to Russian media.

We know this from his before-mentioned interview on Russian media.

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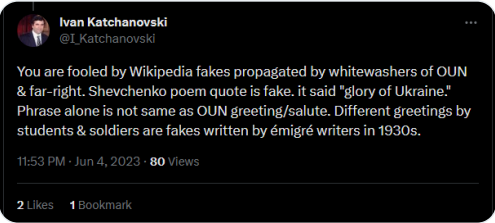
Recently, he has been criticizing the use of phrase "Slava Ukraini". He shared an article where Croatian President and fervent opponent of military aid to Ukraine, Zoran Milanović, compared the slogan to "Sieg Heil" used by the real Nazis.

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The phrase first appeared at the beginning of the 20th century, and was later used by Ukrainians during the Ukrainian War of Independence between 1917 and 1921. Katchanovski has called this version of history "Wikipedia fakes propagated by whitewashers of OUN & far-right."

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Remember when pro-Kremlin propagandists discovered that the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, Valerii Zaluzhnyi, wore a bracelet that had a symbol that resembled a swastika. This was of course just the evidence he needed to prove his "Ukrainian Nazis" theory.

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While he & Ukrainian military are not Nazi or neo-Nazi, contrary to [#Russian](#) propaganda used to justify illegal invasion of [#Ukraine](#), open brandishing of bracelet with swastika by Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in tweet mentioning World War Two is striking.



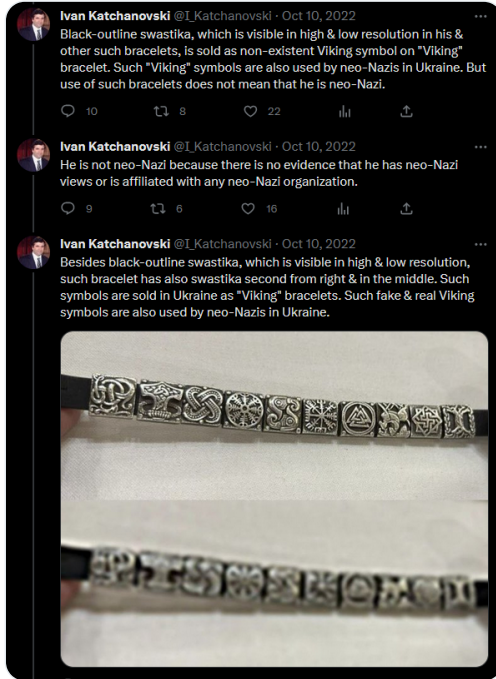
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In reality, the symbol was the Solomon's knot, an age-old symbol found already in ancient Roman mosaics. According to Ivan, these bracelets are "also used by neo-Nazis in Ukraine."

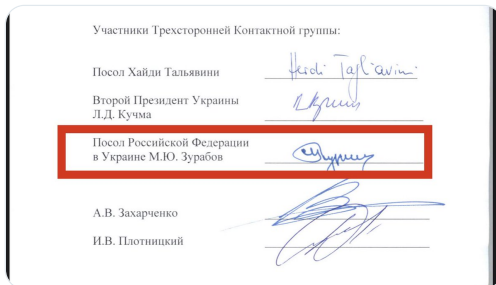
Man, it must be stressful to grasp at straws this hard to support your own theories.

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On various occasions, Katchanovski has claimed that if Ukraine had only complied with the Minsk Agreement, the war could have been avoided. While it's true that Ukraine didn't comply with the agreement, but neither did Russia.

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*The 'Steinmeier Formula'*

*Table 1. Overview of the implementation of the Minsk II*

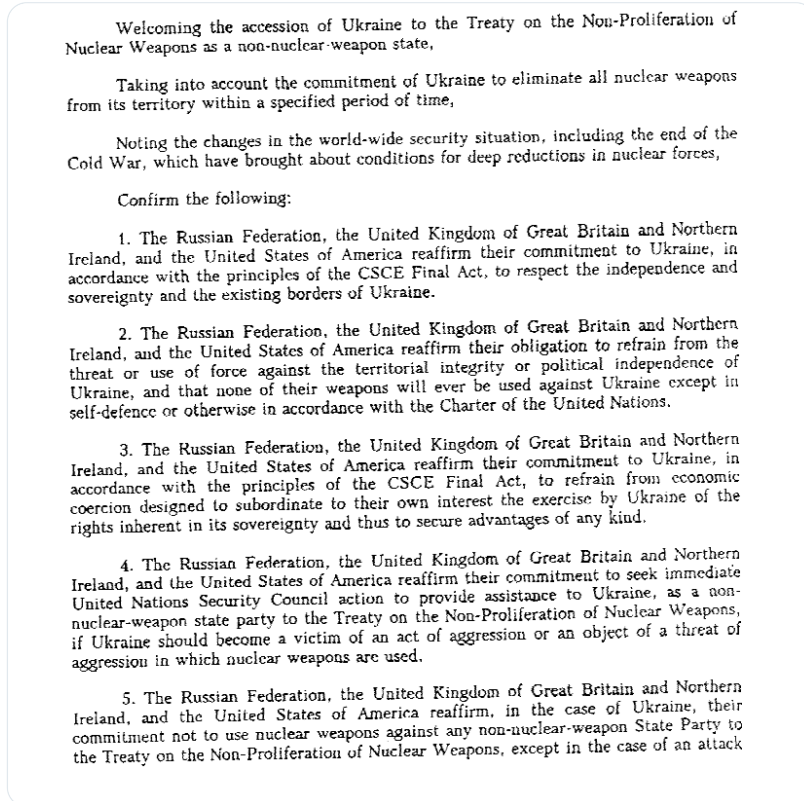
Overview of the implementation of the Minsk II (European Parliament, 2018)	Agreement Status
1. Immediate, full bilateral ceasefire	Not implemented
2. Withdrawal of all heavy weapons by both sides, establishment of a security zone	Partially implemented
3. Monitoring of ceasefire by the OSCE	Partially implemented
4. Modalities for local elections under Ukrainian law on special status of the Donbas	Partially implemented
5. Pardon and amnesty of figures involved in the conflict	Not implemented
6. Release and exchange of all hostages and other illegally detained people	Partially implemented
7. Safe delivery of humanitarian aid to those in need, based on an international mechanism	Not implemented
8. Restoration of full social and economic links with affected areas	Partially implemented
9. Full Ukrainian control over its border with Russia throughout the conflict zone	Not implemented
10. Withdrawal of foreign armed groups, weapons and mercenaries from Ukrainian territory	Not implemented
11. Constitutional reform including decentralisation, special status for the separatist regions	Partially implemented
12. Local elections in Donetsk and Luhansk regions according to OSCE standards	Not implemented
13. Trilateral working groups between the Ukrainian government, the separatists and Russia	Yes, but limited results



Incidentally, Ivan forgets to mention the Budapest Memorandum of 1994, which obligated Russia to respect Ukraine's sovereignty and its borders.

I think we can safely say at this point, that you can't trust Russia on any international agreement.

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Lately Katchanovski has been involved with another pro-Kremlin megaphone, Jeffrey Sachs. As you may know, Sachs is blaming the NATO expansion on the war in Ukraine, undermined Finland's NATO membership, and appeared on Vladimir Solovyov's propaganda show.

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He's also testified on the Nord Stream sabotage in front of the UN Security Council on behalf of Russia. In May 2023, Ivan & Jeffrey sat down for a talk, in which Katchanovski falsely claimed that the West sabotaged the peace negotiations between Ukraine & Russia in Mar 2022.

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Bombshell: Former Israeli prime minister says that Western leaders blocked #Ukraine & #Russia peace deal which he negotiated on #Zelensky request in March because they wanted to continue to strike Putin. He says that there was good chance of such deal.

**Aaron Maté** @aaronmate · Feb 5  
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An early agreement was reached that called for Russian troops to withdraw to Feb 23 positions and in return, Ukraine would never join NATO. Russian troops never met these commitments.

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Former Israel PM says that after #Putin promised him in March not to kill Zelensky & dropped demilitarization of #Ukraine demand, #Zelensky dropped NATO membership of Ukraine, which Bennett says was reason for #Russian invasion. But West blocked such deal.



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The video has been edited to omit some context, and the tweet further misrepresents what was said. In the full video Bennett says:

- Further effort to negotiate was stopped
- Decision was legitimate
- He is unsure the deal would have been reached
- Deal had serious risks

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Jeffrey Sachs on the Path to Peace in Ukraine


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As it can be difficult to find funding for projects that don't support official investigations, Ivan has decided to crowdfund his research. He managed to raise 3000 CA\$ for his latest article, which will be published in near future in a journal called "Russian Politics".

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To me it seems like Ivan REALLY wants to be relevant. He likes to quote himself,boast about his media appearances & his academic achievements,and generally tries to be noticed.

As of now, he's mostly noticed and used by the pro-Kremlin media to support their propaganda.

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