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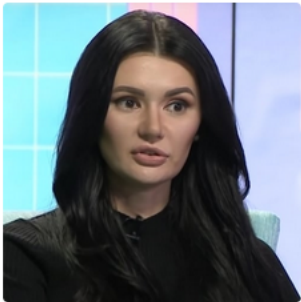
In today's #vatniksoup, I'll introduce a Ukrainian media personality and propagandist, Diana Panchenko (@Panchenko_X). She's best-known for betraying her own country by peddling anti-Zelenskyy and anti-Ukraine propaganda and disinformation for the Kremlin.

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Panchenko was born in 1988 in the Mykolaev Oblast in Ukrainian SSR in 1988. She studied publishing and editing at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute and later graduated from Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv with a degree in law.

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46. Diana Panchenko

Born in Ukraine
1988- (age 36)

Studied in 2018

television presenter journalist

Diana Vitalievna Panchenko is a Ukrainian journalist and TV presenter.

After graduating, Diana worked briefly for the news site . Between 2010 and 2015, Panchenko was a presenter for KyivTV, but she found her true calling as a pro-Kremlin propagandist after she was hired by a national “news channel” called NewsOne.

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As I [have already informed](#) you, on August 24, [NewsOne](#) will start in a new format. And on this occasion, the broadcaster decided to join his team six more people: the former presenter [of the shopping mall "Era"](#) [Sergey Chernyshov](#), the leading station [in Europe plus](#) [Maxim Nazarov](#), the former presenter of «1+1» the channel [Tatiana Kravchenko](#), the ex-leading news of the shopping mall "Era Elena Kirik," the former leader of the [shopping mall IKiev](#), [Diana Panchenko](#) and the TV channel.



NewsOne was part of the Novony media group, that was unofficially owned by politician Viktor Medvedchuk through his associate Taras Kozak. Medvechuk is a close ally to Putin, and his main mission in Ukraine was to prepare the country to become a puppet state of Russia.

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Notable founders of "Mediaholding Novyny" LLC

 Yehor Benkendorf director general, 112 Ukraine	 Pavlo Kuzheyev chief editor and TV host, 112 Ukraine	 Diana Panchenko TV host, NewsOne	 Hanna Mozharovska TV host, ZIK
 Artem Marchevskiy producer general, 112 Ukraine	 Vitaliy Rabinovych chief editor, 112.ua	 Vyacheslav Pihovshek TV host, NewsOne	 Nadiya Koptielova TV host, ZIK

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FSB PAWNS IN UKRAINE CONTINUE DESTABILIZATION ACTIVITIES

Russia has directed its intelligence services to recruit current and former Ukrainian government officials to prepare to take over the government of Ukraine and to control Ukraine's critical infrastructure with an occupying Russian force. At the heart of this effort are **Taras Kozak** (Kozak) and **Oleh Voloshyn** (Voloshyn), two current Ukrainian Members of Parliament from the party led by Victor Medvedchuk (Medvedchuk), who is already subject to U.S. sanctions for his role in undermining Ukrainian sovereignty in 2014. Medvedchuk maintains close ties with the Kremlin, and also took part in directing these activities.

After this, Panchenko gradually started promoting apologia for the Russian annexation of Crimea and broadcasting pro-Kremlin narratives about the Russian-directed “separatist movement” in Eastern Ukraine, suggesting that it was escalated by the Ukrainian state.



NewsOne was terminated in 2021 due to anti-Ukrainian activities by Zelenskyy and the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine. This didn't stop Medvedchuk and Kozak, as they quickly launched another news channel, First Independent, hiring Panchenko as a presenter.

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Disabled the “channels of Medvedchuk”: the first explanations and reactions in social networks

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On the evening of February 2, information appeared on the website of the President of Ukraine that Volodymyr Zelensky imposed sanctions against the closest associate of Viktor Medvedchuk and three TV channels 112 Ukraine, NewsOne, Zik. The first to respond to this news violently, and the deputies did not stay away. The first reactions of public persons are further in the material.

President of Ukraine **Volodymyr Zelenskyy** signed **a decree** that put into effect the decision of the National Security and Defense Council on the introduction of sanctions against the MP from the faction “Opposition Platform For Life” **Taras Kozak**, as well as eight legal entities: these are 112 Ukraine TV channels, NewsOne, Zik, as well as regional broadcasters of the 112 Ukraine channel.

First Independent didn't last long, though, as it was shut down only after one hour of air time. After this, Panchenko became a fervent opponent of Zelenskyy, blaming the government for censorship and defending Medvedchuk. After Russia launched their full-scale invasion,...

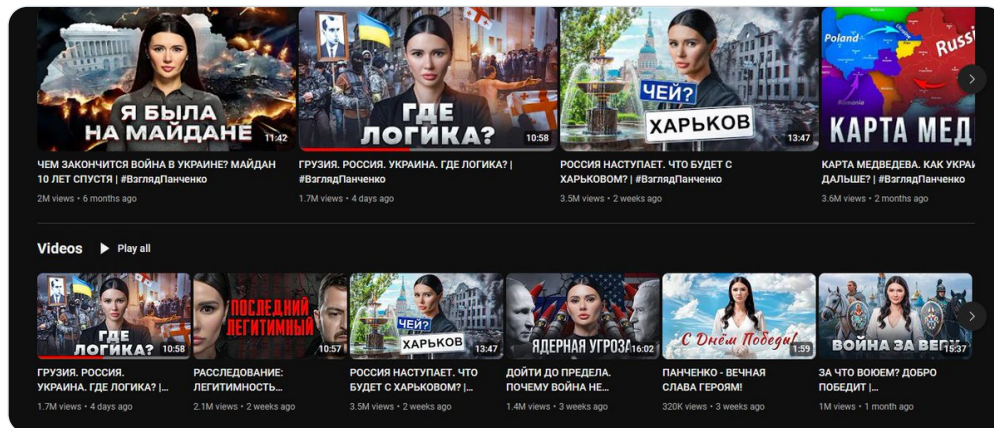
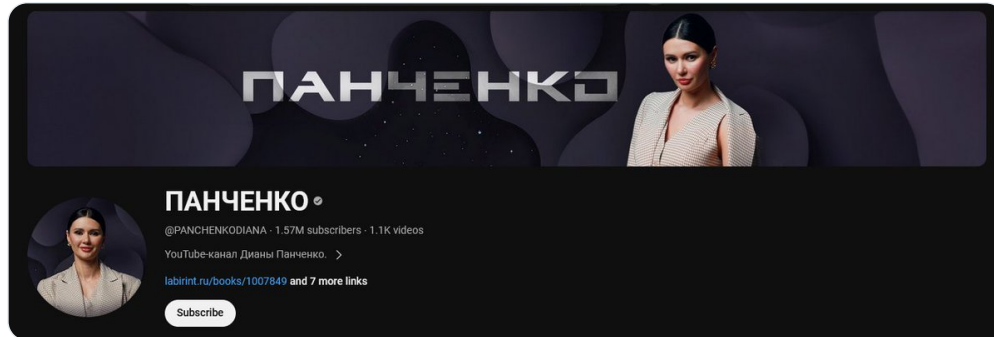
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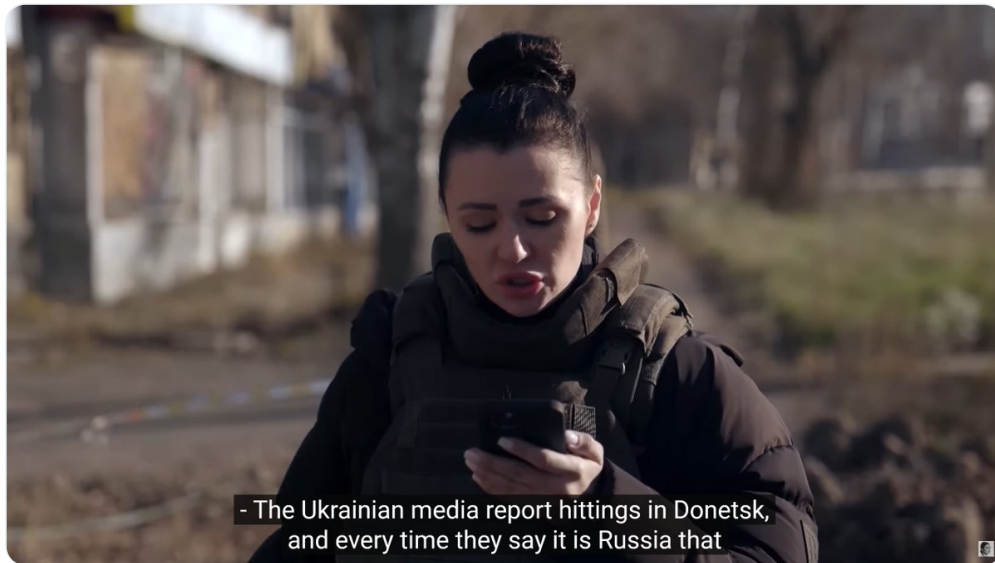
What was before :

- On February 26, at 18:00 in the satellite and online air of the TV channel "First Independent", bought by the representative of the media group Taras Kozak, began broadcasting.
- The first independent channel was turned off an hour after airing.

...Panchenko quickly launched a YouTube channel on which she reported from the Russian-occupied territories. She produced a powerful pro-Kremlin propaganda piece "From Kyiv to Donbas", in which she framed the Ukrainian government as the main culprit for the war.

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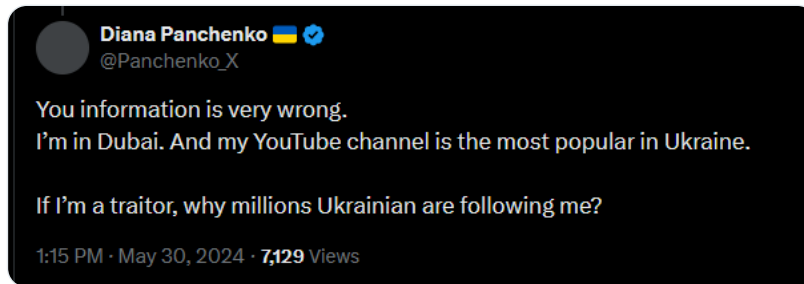


- The Ukrainian media report hittings in Donetsk, and every time they say it is Russia that

Apparently Panchenko lived in Moscow for a while, but is now living in Dubai, where she's still producing propaganda and spreading disinformation on behalf of the Kremlin. Before committing treason, Panchenko wiped her previous Telegram activity, including messages comparing...

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After Russia's 2022 invasion, Panchenko became a YouTube star reporting from the Russian-occupied territories. From there, she has regularly produced manipulative documentaries justifying Russia's war as an effort to supposedly protect the "beleaguered" residents of Ukraine's Donbas region. Now based in Moscow, she claims that it was not Russia that obliterated the Ukrainian city of Mariupol, but the Ukrainian government and Mariupol's defenders. She has become a modern version of Mildred Gillars—an American also known as Axis Sally who disseminated Nazi propaganda to English-language audiences by radio from Berlin and was later convicted of treason in the United States.



...Putin to Hitler and referring to Russian soldiers as fascists. Today, these messages could land her in a Russian prison for years, as it did in case of Russian poets Artyom Kamardin and Yegor Shtovba.

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"Russia lost on February 24, having signed a sentence for itself and its adherents"

The current adept of war and Russian propaganda, Diana Panchenko, wrote back in April last year that she had always dreamed of broadcasting from Ukrainian Donetsk, and Russia, having broken into Ukraine, only signed a sentence for itself and its adherents.

In another of her publications for the same April, she expressed herself like this.

"Once upon a time, children played war between ours and the Nazis. Now, instead of fascists, there are Russians. Once synonymous with the word "isolation" was North Korea, and today it is Russia. Once the personification of evil was Hitler, and now it is Putin.

The tragedy is that in its self-destruction, Russia is killing our people. The best of us die in battle with the dragon.

I have always said that I dream of holding a broadcast in our, Ukrainian Donetsk. But I was wrong. Russia is a country that understands only strength. She lost," Diana Panchenko wrote in her deleted publications back in the first months of the war in Ukraine.

Alexander Lukashenko recently [gave an interview](#) to a pro-Russian propagandist from Ukraine Diana Panchenko.

Previously, she worked on TV channels associated with Putin's godfather [Viktor Medvedchuk](#), and a couple of months after the start of the war in Ukraine, she moved to Russia and began working for Russian propaganda. For this, a criminal case [was opened](#) against her at home.

After leaving Ukraine, Panchenko managed to delete a large number of posts from her Telegram channel. Most of them belonged to the period of February-August 2022, or the first six months of the war.

We found some of those deleted posts using Tgstat and decided to show them to you. It is noteworthy that the content of these posts could be an excellent reason for the arrest of any ordinary person both in Russia and in Belarus itself.



Panchenko

19 Apr 2022, 17:13



Post removed from Telegram 18 Aug 2022, 23:47

If they came to accuse or save you, then they came for power over you.

There are such people. They come up with advice or help when you don't ask. They impose their worldview. Sometimes very aggressive. And there are such countries.

I still couldn't understand how the Russians could believe blind propaganda that we needed to be saved. Before the war, I often criticized the authorities, but this is mine, OUR country. And when our neighbors tell us how to live, it causes rejection. When they come with weapons of anger and hatred.

The empire is built on blood and fear. To maintain an empire, you need to fight, kill, impose. But here's the paradox. There is nothing to impose. Russian propaganda is essentially already meaningless. Except for one stupid, stubborn force. The meaning of evil is to be evil.

In parallel with pain and blood, we become stronger. We realized that we have something to lose. The right to live and do as we want. Feel, breathe.

And it doesn't matter anymore who speaks what language. Who listens to what kind of music? Everything we do now has a new meaning. The fight for the right to be.

Fight is better than fear. That's why we will win. The Empire kills for fear of going into oblivion. We are fighting for freedom, values, life.



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Russian poets given long jail terms for reciting verses against Ukraine war

Artyom Kamardin, 33, and Yegor Shtovba, 23, sentenced for 'undermining national security', 'inciting hatred'.

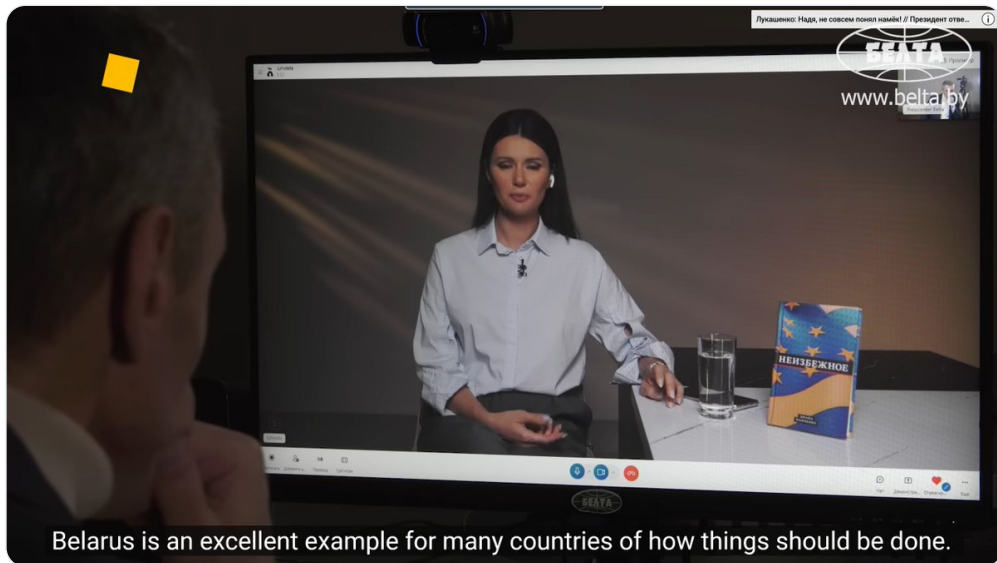


Russian poets Artyom Kamardin (L) and Yegor Shtovba (R) stand inside the defendants' glass cage as the verdict against them is announced at a court in Moscow, on December 28, 2023 [Alexander Nemenov/ AFP]

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But once the Kremlin finds a high-quality propagandist, they won't let go off them easily. They even gave her an interview with the Belarussian dictator Lukashenko, who naturally blamed Ukraine for the war, further claiming that Putin doesn't have "imperial aspirations".



Panchenko regularly quotes her own popularity on Youtube, claiming that her 1,6 million followers are an acknowledgement of her being right. According to Diana, her channel is the “the most popular in Ukraine and among Russian-speaking audiences worldwide”.

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My YouTube channel is the most popular in Ukraine and among Russian-speaking audiences worldwide. I have written a book that will soon be released in the USA. I am determined to amplify my voice and reach a wider audience. By sharing my insights here, I hope to ignite awareness and spark collective action for a better future.

Diana joined X/Twitter in May 2024, and she immediately started her tirades against Zelenskyy and the 2022 peace negotiations that were, according to her, sabotaged by Boris Johnson. They were not and Russia has broken pretty much every treaty with Ukraine in the past.

← **Diana Panchenko** 🇺🇦 ✓
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Sanctioned by Zelenskiy. Journalist of the Year in Ukraine. TV host

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175 Following 26.8K Followers

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Zelenskiy is an actor.

He loves money and fame.
War gives him money and fame.

Who wants peace?

Think about it.

6:42 PM · May 31, 2024 · 114K Views

 **Diana Panchenko**  
@Panchenko_X

Putin's statement declaring the Verkhovna Rada and its speaker as the only legitimate power in Ukraine has placed Speaker Stefanchuk in a precarious position, making him a target for everyone

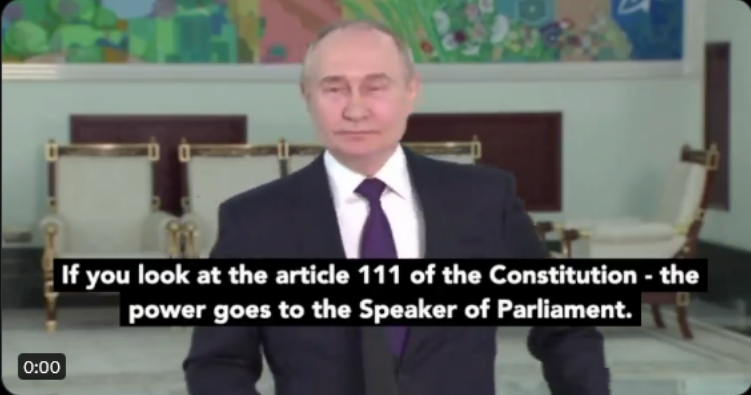
On the one hand, he is seen as the hope for the Ukrainian people, who want to stop the war.

On the other hand, there are Zelenskyy and Yermak, who are definitely determined to hold onto power.




Putin's statement triggers centrifugal processes within the Ukrainian government.

Zelenskyy is already hated in Ukraine by the absolute majority of people.

The power vertical is barely holding up as it is. It seems that these corrupt government have already begun to stagger.



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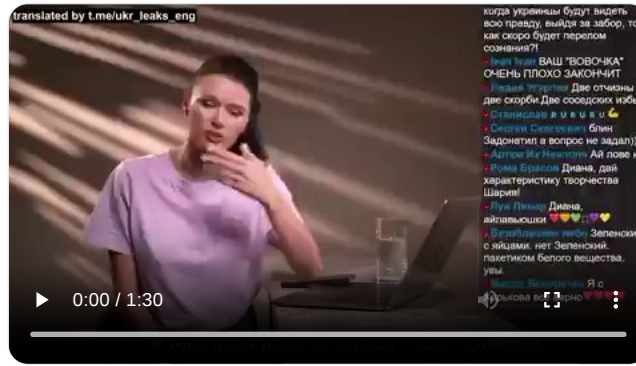
 **Diana Panchenko**  
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I'm not a politician. But Zelenskyy team already confirmed, that the peace was already agreed in 2022. Putin was ready to escape. But Boris Johnson refused.

There are facts.

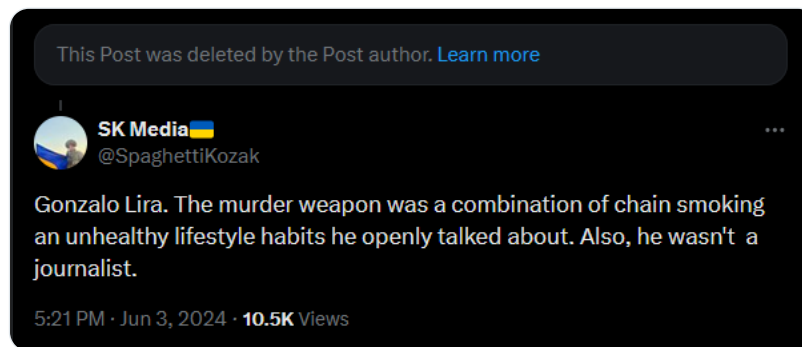
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And Diana REALLY wants to ride on the Zelenskyy hate train. She boasts about being sanctioned by the Ukrainian president, presenting herself as a victim of his regime. She's also claimed that Zelenskyy is a "drug addict" who's also an "incompetent & corrupt war profiteer".



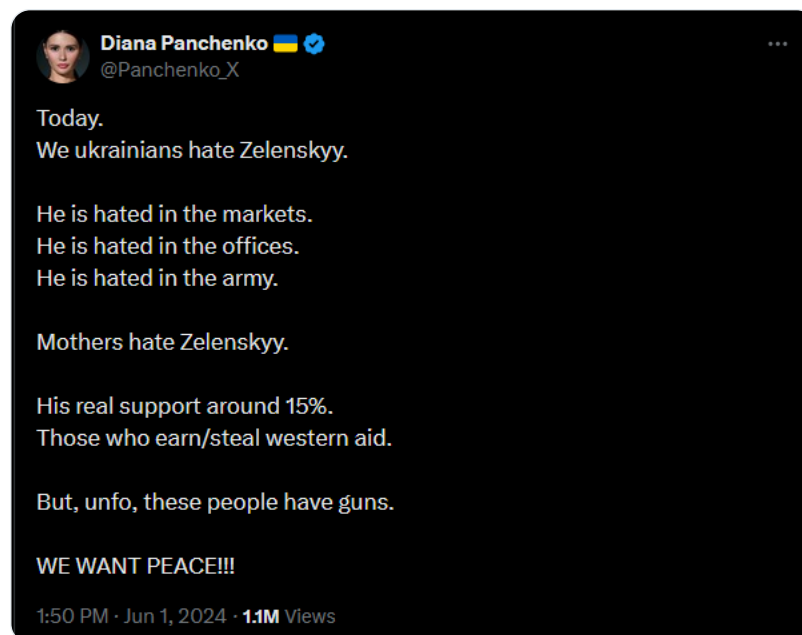
She even conducted a poll in which she asked the cause of death for propagandist Gonzalo Lira (whom she referred to as “journalist”). But due to the poll not getting the result she wanted, she quickly deleted it.

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The probable reason why the Kremlin considers Panchenko a powerful propagandist is her Ukrainian nationality. She’s constantly claiming to be “defending the Ukrainian people” who, according to her, have fallen under a hostile Kyiv leadership and its Western allies.

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Like her fellow propagandist Tucker Carlson, Diana often talks about “peace”, but neatly forgets to talk about any of the peace terms. Maybe you could answer a few questions, @Panchenko_X? 1) Putin has stated that Donetsk, Kherson, Luhansk and Zaporizhzhia oblasts...

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... are now part of Russia - should Ukraine give up these territories for peace? 2) If Russia gets their way, what consequences will the Ukrainian people who remain face? As a reference, you can read this thread:




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https://x.com/P_Kallioniemi/status/1757334171586891953

Panchenko is also authoring a book that will also hit the US market. This may just be the reason why she decided to jump over to X/Twitter and start posting in English, of course remembering to tag big accounts like Tucker Carlson and Tim Dillon in her posts.

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Zelenskyy doesn't represent Ukraine as a whole.

Zelenskyy gives the impression that all Ukrainians are arrogant and greedy, believing that everyone owes them something.

We want to work and build families.

WE WANT PEACE.

[@TuckerCarlson](#) [@TimJDillon](#)



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In 2023, the SBU launched an investigation into Panchenko due to her trip to Russian-occupied Donetsk, calling her officially a “pro-Kremlin propagandist”. She was also sanctioned by presidential decree.

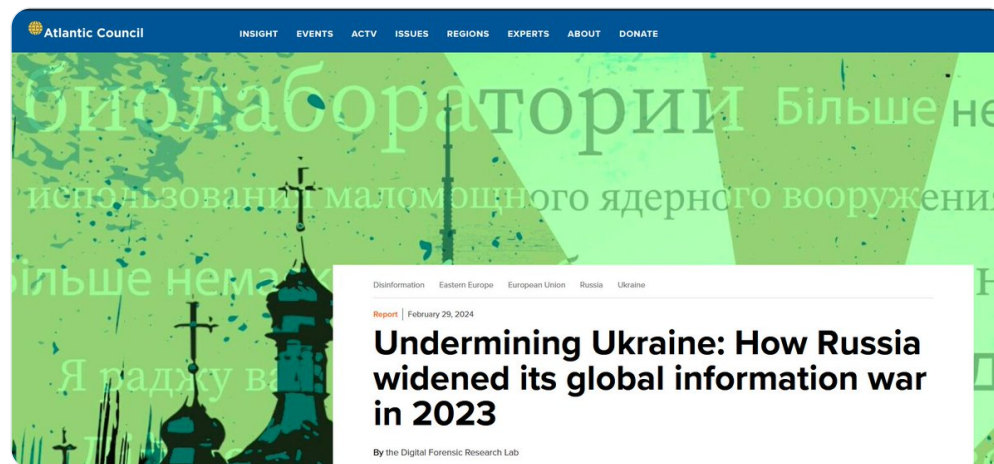
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To conclude:

Russia uses online propagandists with only one goal in mind: to undermine any support from the West to Ukraine. Panchenko is part of that well-oiled machinery, and her being Ukrainian probably provides her some extra credibility in the eyes of her audience.

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I would also suggest you read my previous #vatniksoup on Viktor Medvedchuk:

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