

# Ukraine: New “President” Pays Fighters 16 Times Average Salary

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“In order to improve motivation” (yes, these are the exact words) and in accordance with oligarch Poroshenko’s election promise, Mikhail Koval, the junta’s minister of defense announced that the Kiev regime is increasing the pay for its fighters who see the antifascist and pro-Russian population as “terrorists” to 20,000 hryvni a month, which corresponds to some \$1,700, which, for Ukraine, is like golden (though bloody) rain. Average salaries are about \$100 or so a month, and conscripted soldiers were paid half of that.

This “boosting” of motivation for killing and dying for oligarchs, bandit Banderism and NATO accords with the character and mindset of oligarchs.

I assume that the costs of this increase (incredible for Ukraine devastated by the same oligarchs) is to be paid by the same IMF loans and other Western credits. In other words, the IMF and Western bankers are now openly financing a war against Russia and against millions of people in Ukraine. Needless to say, the unpaid billions for Russian gas have been used not only for the billions in wealth for the anti-Russian and pro-fascist oligarchs in Ukraine (as in the past), but now also, as stated repeatedly by the representatives of the junta, to “exterminate all the terrorists”-whether armed, unarmed, or whether manning a barricade or sitting in a school or in an ambulance.

The difference between the current junta with its new “president” Poroshenko as its formal figurehead and the previous Ukrainian oligarchic governments is the strategic decision of NATO and the oligarchs to give command and control over all the security forces to militant fascists led by the Right Sector (previously and still supported as such by only 1% of the population), while launching a war on anyone who is not buying this new fascist dictatorship and its murderous campaign.

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