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## COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

### CORRUPTION

#### **How much of a problem is corruption in Ukraine?**

*Thomas O. Falk – Al Jazeera: 15 June 2022*

Analysts say that Ukraine has long suffered from systemic corruption, and Russia, which often weaponizes the issue, is in no position to judge.

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#### **Slovakia makes slow progress in tackling corruption**

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### **Ukraine war forces switch in drug trafficking routes, EU body warns**

*Catarina Demony – Reuters: 14 June 2022*

Russia's invasion of Ukraine is triggering shifts in the smuggling routes for illegal drugs to Europe, the EU drugs agency said.

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*European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction: 14 June 2022*

The rapid rebound of drug supply and use following COVID-19 disruption is among the issues highlighted by the EU drugs agency in its European Drug Report 2022: Trends and Developments.

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*Victoria Gill – BBC: 10 June 2022*

Sellers are flouting eBay's self-imposed ban on the sale of elephant ivory by listing it under pseudonyms. An investigation by the BBC and legal experts found ivory listed as "bovine bone."

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*Dipanjan Roy Chaudhury – The Economic Times: 11 June 2022*

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#### **West faces ‘moment of reckoning’ over China’s online influence, GCHQ warns**

*Joe Pinkstone – The Telegraph: 11 June 2022*

Britain’s spy agency chief calls for creation of unified internet governance protocols to protect against the loss of “Western liberal” values.

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*Hamdi Firat Buyuk – Balkan Insight: 10 June 2022*

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*Danny Palmer – ZDNet: 15 June 2022*

Criminals are taking advantage of companies that don't update their cybersecurity strategies.

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### **Internet's potential to spur social, economic progress still largely untapped, says UN chief**

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### ISIS AND FOREIGN FIGHTERS

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*Camillus Eboh And Felix Onuah – Reuters: 9 June 2022*

Nigerian authorities suspect the insurgent group Islamic State West Africa Province carried out a massacre at a Catholic church in which 40 people were killed, Interior Minister Ogbeni Rauf Aregbesola said.

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*Bridget Johnson – Homeland Security Today: 9 June 2022*

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*Robert Goldman – The Conversation: 13 June 2022*

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### **Restoration of empire is the endgame for Russia's Vladimir Putin**

*Nathan Hodge – CNN: 11 June 2022*

Reading Russian President Vladimir Putin's mind is rarely a straightforward task, but on occasion the Kremlin leader's words speak for themselves: What he is aiming for in Ukraine is the restoration of Russia as an imperial power.

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