

# USSR Reform Ukraine boycott

Kiev — The ~~Ukrainian Parliament~~ **7 DEC 1990**  
has been temporarily disbanded after a boycott by the entire opposition, in protest at the arrest of one of their number, writes Susan Viets.

In a strongly worded "appeal to the parliaments of the world" the MPs said: "The unprecedented arrest of [Stepan Khmara] within the walls of Parliament we view as a return to neo-Stalinism . . . We ask for your help in saving the life of this person who declared a political hunger strike on 26 November and is now close to death. Democracy in the Ukraine is in peril."

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