## *Police Dismantle Saakashvili Protest Camp in Kyiv; 20 Injured*
**Ukraine**

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**The camp was an offshoot of a broader opposition movement that holds regular peaceful protests in Kyiv to demand the resignation of Poroshenko over stalled reforms.**

By RFE/RL's Ukrainian Service, Last Updated: March 03, 2018 20:17 GMT   Police in Kyiv have dismantled a protest camp near the national parliament building, detaining more than 100 supporters of opposition leader Mikheil Saakashvili amid clashes that left at least 20 people injured.   Andriy Kryshchenko, head of the Kyiv department of the National Police of Ukraine, said 13 protesters and seven police officers sought medical attention for injuries they sustained in violence that broke out during the March 3 police raid on the tent camp near the Verkhovna Rada.   Authorities said nine grenades, an unspecified number of Molotov cocktails, and five smoke bombs were seized by authorities during the raid.   A reporter covering the event for RFE/RL's Ukrainian Service said police used pepper spray against him, even though his press pass was visible.   As police cordoned off the area, black smoke billowed into the sky as protesters inside the makeshift camp set tires on fire.   For complete article text, photos and a related video, link below: https://www.rferl.org/a/ukraine-police ... red-clashes/29076388.html   Text, photo and video courtesy RFE/RL