

Commemorative coin

Parliamentary democracy, as the basis for the democratic organization of social and political life, founded on the principles of popular representation, the separation of powers and the rule of law, is an important component of the democratic system of any country in which parliament plays a leading role.

With the restoration of state independence, Ukraine declared its intention to integrate into the European and global community. This intent has influenced the formation and development of democratic values and institutions in the country, including the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the country's sole legislative body. The Ukrainian Parliament, established by the Constitution of Ukraine, operates on the principles of representation and rule of law. It creates the country's legislative framework, contributes to the establishment and performs oversight of the executive branch, and sets strategic state development directions. The Verkhovna Rada represents the Ukrainian people and their will.

Important milestones in the history of independent Ukraine were the adoption by the Verkhovna Rada of the fundamental

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documents of the state: The Declaration on State Sovereignty of Ukraine (16 July 1990), the Act of Proclamation of Independence of Ukraine (24 August 1991) and the Constitution of Ukraine (28 June 1996). These documents paved the way for statehood and provided the legal foundations for a sovereign Ukraine.

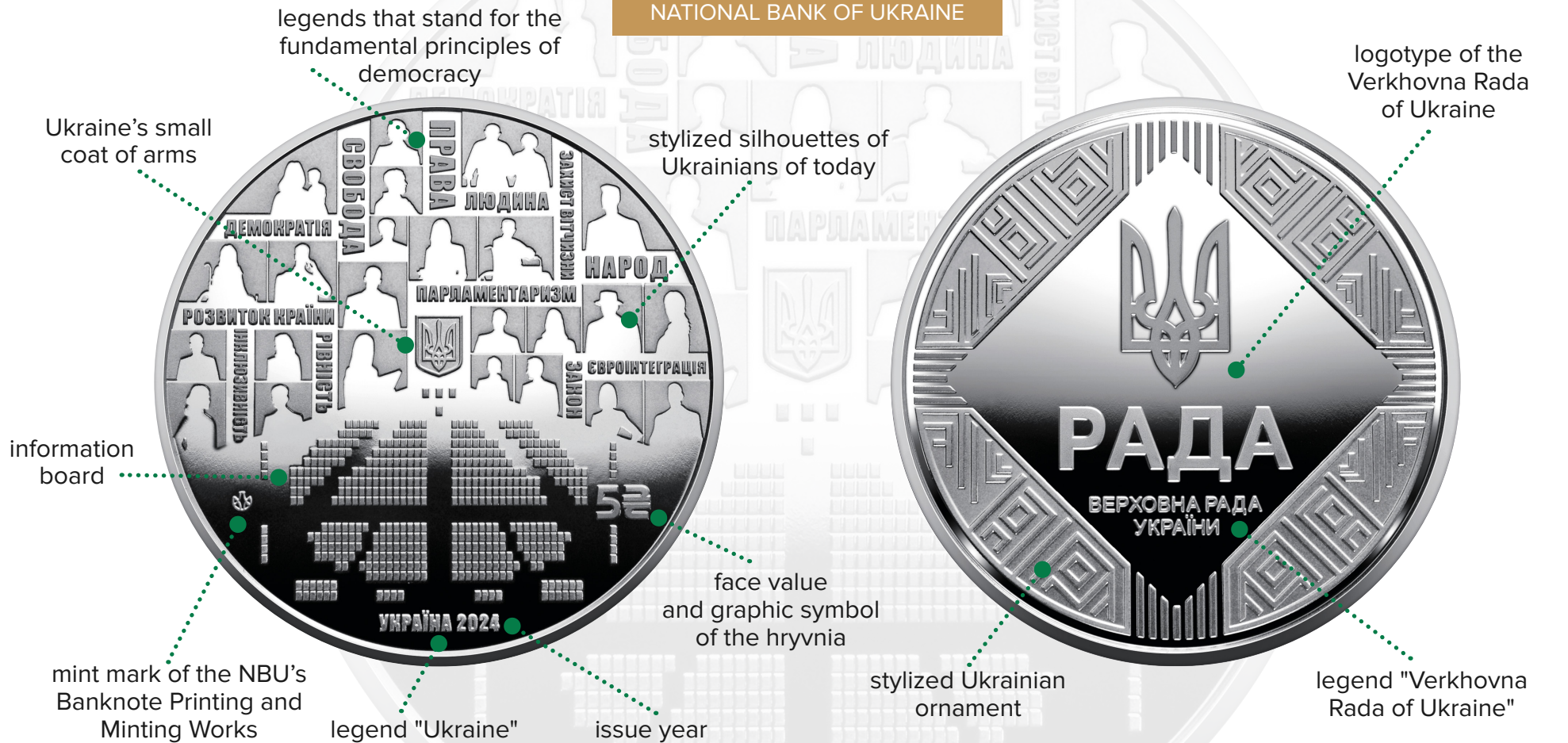
At present, under martial law, the Verkhovna Rada is working to further improve the legislative framework, aligning it as closely as possible with EU legislation and international democratic standards. It focuses on protecting the state and its citizens, implementing reforms, changing worldview principles in all areas of life, and ensuring Ukraine's progress towards European prosperity.

Every year on 30 June, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) celebrates the International Day of Parliamentarism, which is a testament to the importance of parliament in protecting people's democratic rights and freedoms.

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