

Svoboda ('Freedom') Alliance

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'Freedom is one of the deepest and noblest aspirations of the human spirit'.

- Ronald Reagan -

While some nations take it for granted, others have to fight for it.



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Who we are: just a few of 7.5 mln people who have left Russia since 2000

How it all started: as a reaction to the arrest of Alexey Navalny





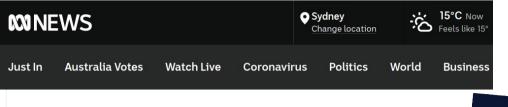
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We are Russians who cannot be silent! We organised rallies in major Australian cities









Russian-Australians condemn Kremlin aggression in Ukraine

ABC Radio Sydney / By Michael Luu

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In cities across Australia, protesters have rallied against th against Putin's war

A Russian woman holds a sign during a rally in Sydney against the war in Ukraine

Economy

'We do not want to be mixed up with the Kremlin'



Svoboda Alliance

- We stand for democratic changes in Russia and fall of Putin's terrorist regime
- We stand with Ukraine against military aggression and occupation of Ukrainian territories
- We organise rallies and fundraising, we meet with politicians and petition the government
- We stand in support of political prisoners and against oppression of opposition in Russia

Not-for-profits in VIC, NSW, and SA with representatives in other cities of Au and NZ





Precursors of the war

- The war prerequisites were approved by the Russian parliament
- The majority of the seats belongs to Putin's pocket party 'United Russia' ("Единая Россия")
- Statistical analysis shows, ~16% of votes were stolen in 2011, 2016, 2021 to hold the majority of seats
- A world-wide network of independent poll watchers
 including us in Sydney worked to get real (reference) numbers at least at some voting stations
- Many Russians followed Alexei Navalny's 'Smart Voting' strategy



Svoboda Alliance ensured there was no election fraud.

Putin's party didn't win in Sydney.

Previous petition to the govt

- We planned it to be the first step to impose sanctions on Putin's politicians
- However, the answer stated that we asked to condemn the violation of voting rights in Russia, and they had already condemned the poisoning of Mr Alexei Navalny

Petition EN3459 - Condemn voting rights violations in the 2021 Russian Parliament elections

Petition Status

The petition has been **responded to** by the Minister responsible



Petition Reason

The Parliament elections in Russia on 17-19 September 2021 were held with significant violations of the democratic electoral processes. The access to information for the voters was limited by a continuing crackdown on opposition politicians, civil society organisations and independent media. The elections took place with thousands of well-documented cases of ballot box stuffing, falsification of vote count protocols and physical violence against independent election observers and poll workers. The outcome of 8 out of 15 races in Moscow was reversed in favour of pro-Kremlin candidates using an electronic



Current petition to the govt

Petition EN4088 - Declare Putin's United Russia terrorist organisation and freeze their assets

Petition Status

The petition has been presented to the House



We are waiting for an official response to our petition

Petition Reason

United Russia is a major Russian political party which backs Vladimir Putin and is responsible for legislative approval of numerous laws attacking freedom of speech and personal freedoms, free and fair electoral process, undermining rights of LGBTQ and national minorities and persecution of political opposition. The Party's members are involved in aggressive anti-western rhetoric and responsible for legislative enactment of the military invasions of Ukraine and Georgia, as well as financial support of the Belarus authoritative leader Alexander Lukashenko and multiple far right groups and parties in other countries.

Petition Request

We therefore ask the House to the responsible authorities to - designate United Russia Party as a terrorist organisation given their history of anti-western rhetoric, approval of the legislation that attacks personal and political rights, their support to the brutal style of governance in the Russian Federation, their continued display of atrocities against sovereign states and their legislative and moral support of the military aggression against Ukraine and recognise that it's activities are incompatible with the shared values of the Australian Community; - We ask also to ban entry to Australia to the members of the United Russia Party, freeze their assets in international jurisdictions and nominate the Ukrainian humanitarian aid organization as a benefactor of such assets' transfer in consultation with the Ukrainian-Australian community.



An anti-war flag



Antiwar Russians use the white-bluewhite flag to stand openly against the Russian invasion of Ukraine

Already banned in Russia





Russians use it around the world





Mr Darius Degutis

With the vice-consul of Poland Mr Łukasz Graban



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meetings and presentations



With H.E. the ambassador of Ukraine Mr Vasyl Myroshnychenko

Presenting at ANU





With Lord Mayor, City of Adelaide - Sandy Verschoor

With the Senator David Fawcett - SA



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Svoboda Alliance team have been presented to the EU Parliament Member - Andrius Kubilius



Representatives of the prodemocratic Russian diaspora had a <u>zoom meeting</u> with the EU Parliament Member *Andrius Kubilius*.

Svoboda Alliance is proud to be featured as one of the most well organised movements around the globe!



Svoboda Alliance spreads the word trough social media



Svoboda Alliance team produced the documentary about the diplomacy of the " Russky Mir" where we show you the tip of the iceberg of propaganda networks created under the guidance of the diplomatic missions of the Russian Federation in Australia.

Svoboda Alliance team strongly stands against any pro-Putin propaganda in Australia and New Zealand



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To Whom It May Concern

To the Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs

To the Australian National Security office

To RSL Australia

We would like to draw your attention to a bunch of rallies to be run in all major Australian cities on October, 22. These rallies formally call the Australian government to refrain from any support of Ukraine, but it is clear they have very pro-Putin and pro-Russia sentiment.

The attached flyers depict the Eureka flag with orange-and-black ribbon, a symbol of the chauvinist and pro-owar sentiment in Russia. They also use a famous image of an Australian soldier during WVII along with an image of a Russian soldier these days.

We find it extremely inappropriate and offensive for our proudly Australian community to see the symbols of Australian contribution to the stoush for democracy and human rights being displayed along with the images and symbols of people committing war crimes, rapes, and tortures against Ukrainian civilians. The recent annexation of four Ukrainian regions was already condemned by the United Nations General Assembly (GA/12458); further steps were made in the recent resolution #2463 by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe calling the member states to declare Putin's rule a terrorist regime. The United Nations have already decided to establish a Russia human rights investigator.

Therefore, we would like to ask you to contact the organisers of these rallies and find the ways to clearly separate the pro-Putin propaganda and marches for Australian values, human rights and freedoms. We find it very insulting and offensive that the memory of ANZAC veterans and those who paid the ultimate sacrifice ("Lest we forget") is used to spread pro-Putin and pro-war sentiment in the Australian community. Also, we suspect there are some clear signs of foreign interference as some of the organisers and speakers at these rallies have well established ties with the Russian government. The conspiracy narratives (like "deep state", antivax etc) used by many participants deteriorate the cohesion and integrity of Australian society.

We attach some photo materials to support our position. We will be happy to share much more information and highlight the narratives of pro-Putin and anti-Western propaganda in their rhetoric.

Thank you very much for considering our request.

Yours sincerely,
Ilya Fomin
President of Svoboda Alliance NSW Inc
acting on behalf and in agreement with
Svoboda Alliance Vic Inc and Svoboda Alliance SA Inc
https://www.facebook.com/svoboda.alliance.au.nc

The usual visitors and speakers of these rallies include also Simeon Boikov, a very prominent supporter of Putin's Russia. People show the black-and-orange ribbon and "Z" — the symbols of Russian neoimberalistic chauvinism



An anti-US rally in front of the US embassy in Moscow on October, 8 2022 features lots of black-and-orange flags $\,$





The Previous rally on September 18 has a lot of Russian tricolours, which is a clear sign what do they really stand for. They do not stand for neutrality of Australia, but they stand to support Putin and his cronies in their brutal and unjustified invasion of Ukraine





EXPLORE SBS

Students in Russia are expelled for participating in rallies and posts on social media

DOWNLOAD 9.24

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Call for Australian universities to provide spots for Ukrainian, Russian and Belarusian students who 'speak out'

Svoboda Alliance supports a call for academics at Australian universities to provide spots for Ukrainians and those Russian and Belarusian students who speak out and can't continue studies in their home countries



People attend a rally in defence of freedom of speech and journalism in central Moscow on June 16, 2019. Source

YURI KADOBNOV/AFP via Getty Images



Svoboda Alliance spread the word about various ways to support and help



Humanitarian aid for Ukraine



- Gathering aid for volunteers in Ukraine and other countries (for refugees)
- Raising funds for specific cities in Ukraine (Kyiv, Kharkiv, Chernivtsi, Mykolaiv)
- Charity buy-and-sell projects
- Sharing info about charity programs



oboda Alliance AU&NZ sent over 3 tonnes of humanitarian aid to Ukraine!





Our cargo includes:

- medical tools and instruments
- surgical gowns and drapery
- hygiene and health care products
- blankets and sleeping bags
- wheelchairs and other items for disabled and recovering people



Svoboda Alliance AU&NZ sent 20 kg cargo of humanitarian aid to Kharkiv City in Ukraine!

From Australia to









Sending a new package

An orthopedical drills make holes in bones for fixing immobilization screws, wires, plates, implants and fitting prosthetic devices for those who been critically injured at the front line of

fire

Currently on the very final leg of their journey to Kyiv hospitals and surgeries





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«do» 08 2022 p. № 545/5/3747 National military and medical clinical center "GVKG"

Gospital'na street, 18, Kyiv-133, 01133, Ukraine Tel. (Fax) 380 (44) 529-50-95 521-84-01

To all volunteers and charity organizations, enterprises, Citizens of Ukraine

In connection with the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine in order to provide emergency medical care to servicemen and civilians of the National Medical Center «Main Military Clinical Hospital», we ask you to provide charitable free humanitarian aid in the following property:

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ОБОРОНИ УКРАЇНИ

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

OF UKRAINE

- Electrosurgical generator;
- Diathermy pen and Bipolar Forceps for Electrosurgical generator;
- Locking plates and nails;
- Orthopedic drills;
- Device for Negative Pressure Wound Therapy;
- C-Arm X-ray Machine.

With respect,

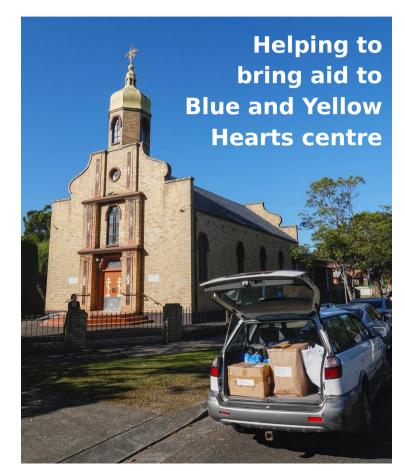
The Head of National military and medical centre
«Main Military Clinical Hospital»
General-major of the medical service

/ANATOLIY KAZMIRCHUK

We also help those who are now in Australia

Helping the Russian-Speaking Jewish Community Association NSW distribute humanitarian aid for Ukrainians who had to move overseas





and support big charity events



Our efforts are recognised



Name blurred for private security purposes



Our fundraising is authorised

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Charitable fundraising number CFN/26239

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This authority is in force from 27/04/2022 until 26/04/2023

unless surrendered or revoked earlier.

This authority is approved under delegation from the Minister administering the Charitable *Fundraising* Act 1991.

- We have to submit financial reports
- We can't make profit from the collected funds
- No single dollar will be wasted
- We kindly ask you to support us. IFAKs save lives

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Thank you for your attention!

We are happy to answer your questions.

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