

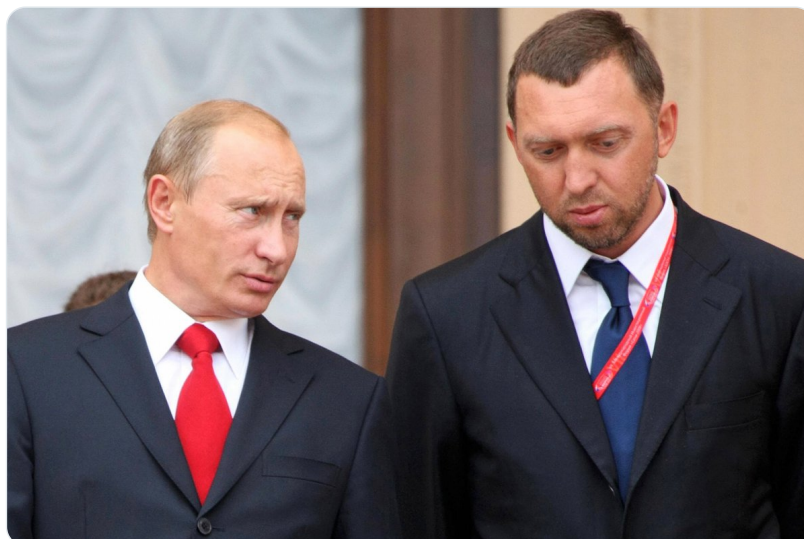


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In today's [#vatnik](#) soup I'll introduce a Russian oligarch, Oleg Deripaska. He was one of the few people who had close ties to Putin, and he's been described as "Putin's favorite industrialist". Deripaska used to be "among the 2–3 oligarchs Putin turns to on a regular basis".

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He got rich after the fall of Soviet Union by trading raw materials such as metals. In 2000 he merged his business with Roman Abramovich to create RUSAL, which eventually became the largest aluminum producer in the world (it was surpassed by China Hongqiao Group in 2015).

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He was married to Polina Yumasheva between 2001 and 2018. Yumasheva is the daughter of Boris Yeltsin's top advisor Valentin Yumashev, which put him close to Yeltsin's inner circle, "The Family".

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Eventually Deripaska established diversified investment and industrial group Basic Element. The company got several deals for the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics. These investments totaled to over 1,4 billion USD.

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In 2006, Deripaska was denied entry visa to the US, but no reason for this was given. The Wall Street Journal speculated that this could be due to his alleged connections to organized crime in Russia.

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U.S. revoked Deripaska visa - State Dep't official

By Jim Wolf

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WASHINGTON, May 11 (Reuters) - The United States revoked an entry visa last July of Oleg Deripaska, a Russian billionaire at the heart of a possible bid for DaimlerChrysler AG's [DCXGn.DE](#) Chrysler Group, a State Department official said on Friday.

The official, who asked not to be named, declined to state reasons for canceling the visa issued two years ago to Deripaska, who at 39 is reported to be Russia's second-richest person.

The U.S. government may review foreign bids for ownership of U.S. companies for a number of reasons, including possible

In 2021, Russia gave Deripaska diplomatic status, allowing him to enter the US freely. In 2017, Oleg bought a "golden passport" from Cyprus, generating billions of revenue to the country while at the same time gaining Cypriot citizenship.

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In 2017 the Associated Press published an article which alleged that Paul Manafort and Deripaska signed an annual 10 million USD deal to promote Russian interests in Europe and in the US. The paper suggested that this deal went as far back as to 2005.

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AP Exclusive: Trump campaign chief linked to Putin interests

JEFF HORWITZ & CHAD DAY March 22, 2017

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump's former campaign chairman, Paul Manafort, secretly worked for a Russian billionaire to advance the interests of Vladimir Putin a decade ago and proposed an ambitious political strategy to undermine anti-Russian opposition across former Soviet republics, The Associated Press has learned.

The White House on Wednesday acknowledged the AP's revelations had "started to catch a lot of buzz" but brushed them aside, though some members of Congress expressed alarm. Manafort's activities appeared to contradict previous assertions by the Trump administration and Manafort that he never worked for Russian interests.

Manafort proposed in confidential strategy plans as early as June 2005 that he would influence politics, business dealings and news coverage inside the United States, Europe and the former Soviet republics to benefit the Putin government, even as U.S.-Russia relations under Republican President George W. Bush grew worse.

Manafort pitched the plans to Russian aluminum magnate Oleg Deripaska, a close Putin ally with whom he eventually signed a \$10 million annual contract beginning in 2006, according to interviews with several people familiar with payments to Manafort and business records obtained by the AP.

Manafort and Deripaska maintained a business relationship until at least 2009, according to one person familiar with the work.

"We are now of the belief that this model can greatly benefit the Putin Government if employed at the correct levels with the appropriate commitment to success," Manafort wrote in the 2005 memo to Deripaska. The effort, Manafort wrote, "will be offering a great service that can re-focus, both internally and externally, the policies of the Putin government."

White House spokesman Sean Spicer indicated Wednesday that President Trump had not been aware of Manafort's work on behalf of Deripaska. "To suggest that the president knew who his clients were from 10 years ago is a bit insane," Spicer said. He noted the AP's reporting "has started to catch a lot of buzz" but said Manafort's work occurred long before he became Trump's campaign chairman.

"I don't know what he got paid to do," Spicer said, adding, "There's no suggestion he did anything improper."

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It was also alleged that Manafort provided briefings on political developments to Deripaska via Kyiv-based operative Konstantin Kilimnik. In Feb, 2018, Navalny published a damning video about a meeting between Deripaska and Deputy PM of Russia, Sergei Prikhodko.

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Navalny then accused that Deripaska was working as a middle man between the Russian government and Paul Manafort during the 2016 US elections. In Russia, this video was quickly added to the Federal List of Extremist Materials, thus making it illegal in Russia, by ...

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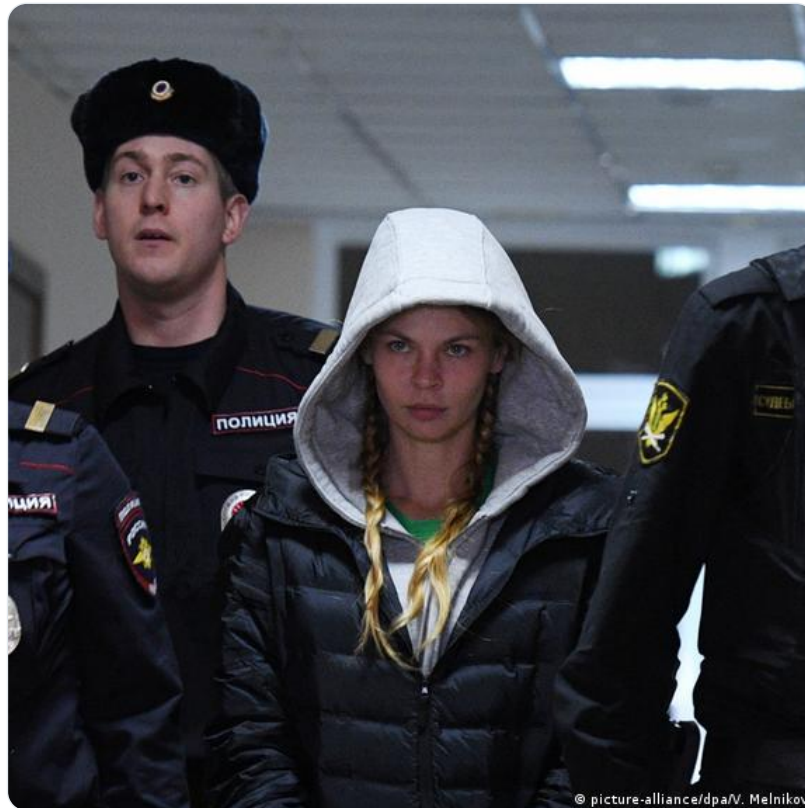
... Roskomnadzor, agency responsible for censorship in the country. One of the people shown in the video was Anastasia Vashukevich, a Belarusian escort. She stated that she has 16 hours of audio recordings on the Russian interference in the 2016 US election.

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Anastasia stated that the recordings include Deripaska discussing the US election with three Americans, and that she'd release these recordings if she was given an asylum in the States. This never happened, since she was deported to Russia.

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She eventually apologized to Deripaska, and he denied having any intimate relationship with Vashukevich. Die Zeit published a dossier in 2022 that accused Deripaska of sexual relations with underage girls in various countries.

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Russischer Oligarch Oleg Deripaska

Putins bester Mann


Oleg Deripaska ist ein Meister der Verschleierung. Dem Westen diente der Milliardär lange als Geschäftspartner, dem russischen Präsidenten als durchtriebener Strippenzieher. Und heute?

Von **Ingo Malcher** und **Stefan Willeke**

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Russische Milliardäre versuchten, westliche Eliten für den Kreml einzuspinnen. Jetzt feilen sie an einer neuen Taktik. © Titelillustration: Thomke Meyer für DIE ZEIT

In Jan, 2023, the former NYC head of counterintelligence in the FBI, Charles McGonical, was arrested on charges of money laundering and false statements, violating the US sanctions on Russia and allegedly working for Deripaska.

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McGonical was charged with conspiring with Sergey Shestakov, a former Soviet and Russian diplomat and a US citizen, to provide services to Deripaska. They allegedly investigated a rival Russian oligarch and received concealed payments from Deripaska through shell companies.

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Oleg has been critical of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. On 27th Feb, 2022, he posted calls for peace and negotiations and the next day he commented on the sanctions that "unlike 2014, it will not be possible to sit this out now".

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Two of Russia's billionaires call for peace in Ukraine

By Guy Faulconbridge and Catherine Belton



[2/2] Russian tycoon Oleg Deripaska attends a session of the St. Petersburg International Economic Forum (SPIEF) in Saint Petersburg, Russia, June 3, 2021. REUTERS/Evgenia Novozhenina

He also said that the war would bring "200 years of damnation to Russia". Oleg has said that the sanctions are more harmful for Russia than to the West: "The debt markets are closed, the capital markets are closed, foreign owners are expropriated; it is a major upheaval."

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Oleg was sanctioned by the US in Apr, 2018, by the UK in Feb, 2022, by Australia in Mar, 2022 and by the EU in Apr, 2022. In Sep, 2022, he was accused of sanctions evasions in the US. He was allegedly assisted by two women: ...

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... Olga Shriki, operating in the US, and Natalia Bardakova, directing Shriki from Russia. Also, Edward Henry Bonham-Carter, the vice chairman of a British fund management group Jupiter Fund Management, was charged for helping Deripaska to avoid the sanctions.

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Thursday, September 29, 2022

Russian Oligarch Oleg Vladimirovich Deripaska and Associates Indicted for Sanctions Evasion and Obstruction of Justice

U.S. Citizen Arrested for Her Role in Facilitating Illicit Travel by Deripaska's Girlfriend and in Real Estate Transactions

The Justice Department announced today the unsealing of an indictment charging a U.S. citizen and three citizens of the Russian Federation with violating new U.S. sanctions imposed earlier this year in response to Russia's unprovoked military invasion of Ukraine.

According to court documents, Oleg Vladimirovich Deripaska, aka Oleg Mukhamedshin, 52; and Natalia Mikhaylovna Bardakova, aka Natalya Mikhaylovna Bardakova, 45, both citizens of the Russian Federation (Russia), and Olga Shriki, 42, a New Jersey resident and naturalized U.S. citizen, are charged with conspiring to violate U.S. sanctions imposed on Deripaska and one of Deripaska's corporate entities, Basic Element Limited (Basic Element). Shriki is further charged with obstruction of justice based on her alleged deletion of electronic records relating to her participation in Deripaska's sanctions evasion scheme following receipt of a grand jury subpoena requiring the production of those records. Bardakova is charged with one count with making false statements to agents of the FBI. Additionally, Ekaterina Olegovna Voronina, aka Ekaterina Lobanova, 33, is charged with making false statements to agents of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security at the time of Voronina's attempted entry into the United States for the purpose of giving birth to Deripaska's child. Shriki was arrested this morning.

"In the wake of Russia's unjust and unprovoked invasion of Ukraine, I promised the American people that the Justice Department would work to hold accountable those who break our laws and threaten our national security. Today's charges demonstrate we are keeping that promise," said Attorney General Merrick B. Garland. "The Justice Department will not stop working to identify, find, and bring to justice those who evade U.S. sanctions in order to enable the Russian regime."

"As today's charges reveal, while serving the Russian state and energy sector, Oleg Deripaska sought to circumvent U.S. sanctions through lies and deceit to cash in on and benefit from the American way of life," said Deputy Attorney General Lisa O. Monaco. "But shell companies and webs of lies will not shield Deripaska and his cronies from American law enforcement, nor will they protect others who support the Putin regime. The Department of Justice remains dedicated to the global fight against those who aid and abet the Russian war machine."

According to court documents, Deripaska, the owner and controller of Basic Element, a private investment and management company for Deripaska's various business interests, was subjected to economic sanctions on April 6, 2018. On that day, the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) designated Deripaska as a Specially Designated National (SDN), in connection with its finding that the actions of the Government of the Russian Federation with respect to Ukraine constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States (the OFAC Sanctions). In designating Deripaska, OFAC explained that Deripaska was sanctioned for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, a senior official of the Government of the Russian Federation, as well as for operating in the energy sector of the Russian Federation economy.

Swedish government tried to persuade the US in 2018-2019 to ease their sanctions on Deripaska because his businesses were employing so many people in Sweden. This campaign included letters to Mike Pompeo and multiple visits to Washington DC.

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Ryska oligarken bakom Sundsvallsbolag på EU:s sanktionslista

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Oligarken Oleg Deripaska är storägare i flera svenska företag – däribland aluminiumsmältverket Kubal i Sundsvall. Nu har den ryska miljardären hamnat på EU:s sanktionslista.

EU har lagt fram sitt femte sanktionspaket mot Ryssland som bland annat ska stoppa ryskt kol och ryska fartyg. Nu står det även klart vilka nya individer som får sanktioner riktade mot sig.

En av dem är Oleg Deripaska – som sedan tidigare står på Storbritanniens, USA:s och Australiens sanktionslistor.

SVT har i en rad publiceringar granskat hans ekonomiska intressen i Sverige. Han är bland annat största enskilda ägare i ryska Rusal som i sin tur äger [aluminiumsmältverket Kubal](#) i Sundsvall.

Äger vapenbolag

Som motivering till de nya sanktionerna skriver EU-rådet att Deripaska äger bolag som är viktiga leverantörer av vapen och militär utrustning till de ryska väpnade styrkorna och som använts under invasionen av Ukraina.

”Därför är han ansvarig för att stödja eller genomföra åtgärder eller politik som undergräver eller hotar Ukrainas territoriella integritet, suveränitet och oberoende, eller stabiliteten eller säkerheten i Ukraina”, skriver rådet.

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CORRECTION: The UK businessman charged for allegedly helping Deripaska is Graham Bonham-Carter, not Edward Henry Bonham-Carter.

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