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In today's #vatniksoup, I'll introduce a social media personality and LARPer, @trollstoy88 AKA Richard Z. He's best-known for acting to be Russian, and for his pro-Russian tweets on the Russo-Ukrainian War.

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Most of the research presented here was done by the NAFO Team.





.@Trollstoy88 belongs to the "big three" of pro-Russian Twitter analysts/political commentators, the other two being a Serbian nurse, @200\_zoka, and Austrian IT support guy, @GeromanAT.

There's also @WarMonitors, but he seems to be more anti-NATO than pro-Russia.



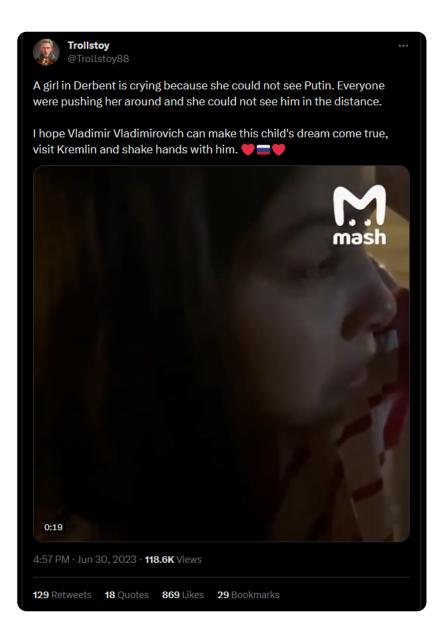


For a long time, Dick's been claiming to be Russian. In reality, he lives in West Germany in a small town near Düsseldorf and Cologne. Ironically, he's even called for Russia to invade Berlin, declaring that it's actually a Baltic Prussian city named Veletian.



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His tweets are something you'd expect from an actual Russian: praise of Putin, Russia's military and its culture (especially women). He really embraces the "third Holy Rome" versus the "decadent West" idea, and regards Putin as some kind of savior of humankind.







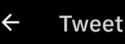
A Russian beauty in a traditional classical Russian dress. 🟹







Dick also often overestimates and praises the Russian equipment, mocks Zelensky, blames NATO and the West for the war. And of course he blames the West for the "coup" that didn't take place during the Revolution of Dignity in 2014.





**Trollstoy** @Trollstoy88



Ukraine will lose vast territories and turn into a stump state after the victory of Russia - American political scientist John Mearsheimer

Mearsheimer predicts the continuation of hostilities for another two years. Ukraine will also lose half of its territories.

# The West needs to prepare for 'ugly' Russian victory in Ukraine, which will reward China, leading US political scientist warns

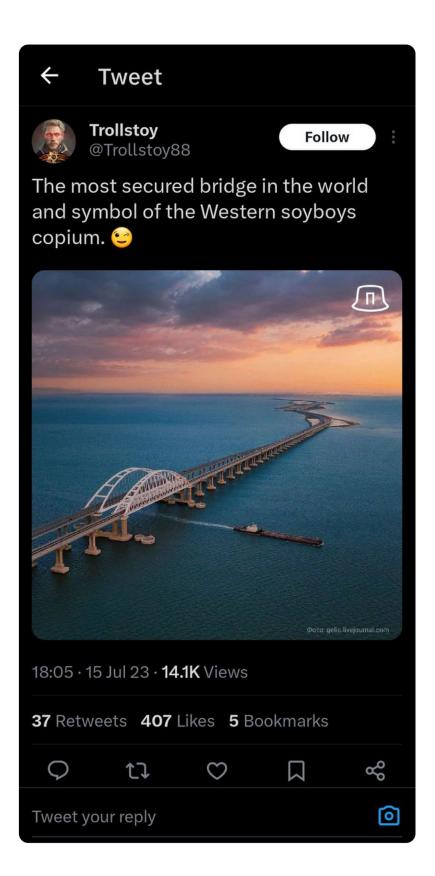
 In an exclusive interview, John Mearsheimer tells My Take the war will drag on, and any ceasefire will at best lead to 'a cold peace' with significant gains for Russia

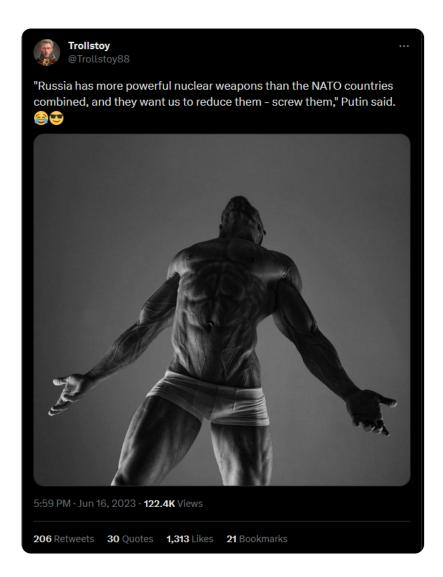
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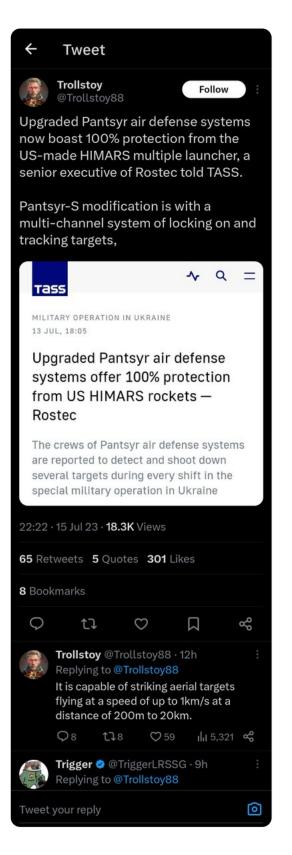
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Interestingly, he's also played the reverse card on the genocide accusations, stating that Ukrainians and Russians are brother-nations, and that it's actually the West that's committing "world genocide" and "will be stopped".

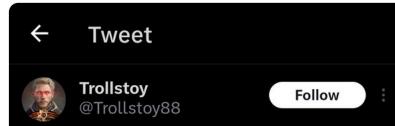




In his analysis, Richard relies heavily on Douglas Macgregor's views on the Russo-Ukrainian War. As many of you know, Dougie has been wrong about absolutely everything, starting from the first days of the war.

Per Macgregor, Ukrainians have lost over 300 000 men already.





"It's stupid to threaten Russia with nuclear weapons," - said Douglas Macgregor, ex-adviser to the head of the Pentagon.

"The Russians can flood the Atlantic with their submarines, as well as the Pacific Ocean, where they will be supported by the Chinese Navy,"



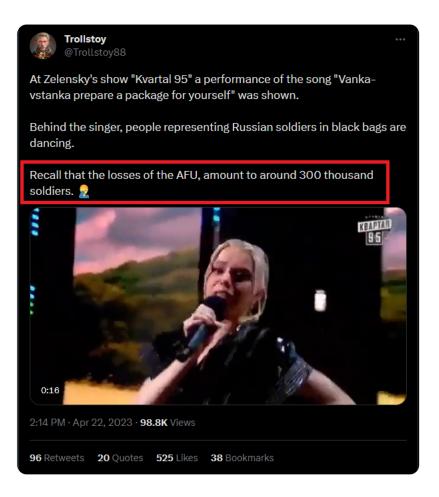
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He's focused on another new narrative spread by the conspiratorial wannabe-president RFK Jr., who claimed that there was an agreement between Russia and Ukraine made in Apr 2022, which caused Russia to withdraw its troops from around Kyiv.

Now that's some strong Copium!



Dickie is all about them "Ukrainian Nazis". He likes to talk about "institutionalized nazi structures", claiming that it's a "continuation from ww2 period", and that these "evil Nazis" were sent to administrate Eastern Ukraine after the 2014 "coup". Man he sounds Russian!



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Institutionalized nazi structures from the coup d'etat till now. Not laughable when forcing one half of the population into forced assimilation and exploatation of the territory and resources for the masters.



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When saying that Russia wants to control Ukraine, then the answer is it needs to have limited control as there is the largest Russian population outside of Russia with territory of geostrategic importance for the security of Russia, thus it must have its' saying.



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I never said Zelensky is **Nazi** but he allowed the **Nazi** structures to thrive in the institutions and administration of Ukraine.

If your own people is endangered for such a long period and in the last phase there is a threat even for Russia, military intervention is the only option.

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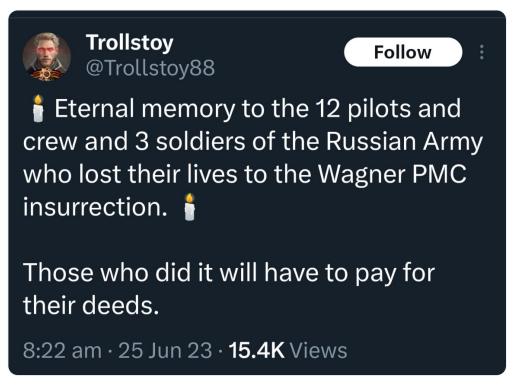
The fascist/**nazi** factions are a continuation from ww2 period, they were exclusive for the western parts of Ukraine (read history of that region). Persons from there, after the coup d'etat were sent to administrate over the eastern (orthodox and russophone) part of Ukraine.

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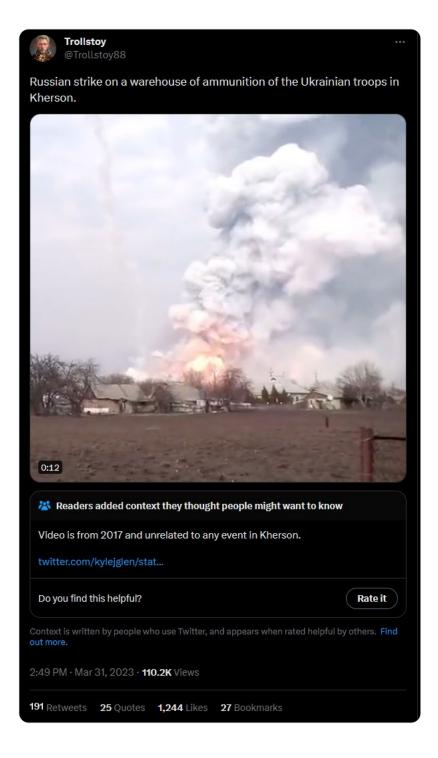
As the number 88 in Dicky's nickname doesn't refer to his birth year, I wonder what it could be reference to? Only thing that comes to my mind is a certain failed Austrian painter that later became a German politician. He's also referred to number 1488 in one of his tweets. 10/22

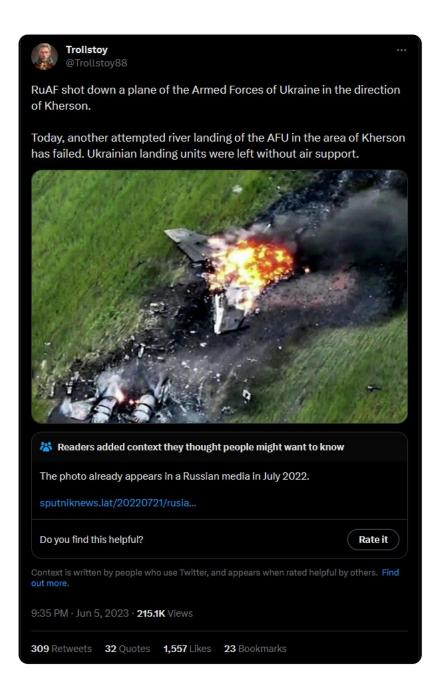


He condemned the Prigozhin/Wagner mutiny very strongly, declaring that "those who did it will have to pay for their deeds." If he was actually from Russia, he'd known there are absolutely no consequences for the mutineers and/or their leaders.



He's also knowingly or unknowingly shared videos and photos out of context & has been struck with Community Notes on a few occasions. As is tradition,he hasn't made any corrections, but I mean, the man is lying about his whereabouts so I'm not sure if all that even matters.





Richard has attacked NAFO on many occasions. As usual, his attacks focus on appearances only, even though Dicky himself isn't built like a Greek statue.

But that's just how it often goes with pro-Russian pundits: when you're out of arguments, go for the irrelevant stuff.



**Trollstoy** @Trollstoy88

Every time when you engage in a discussion about geopolitics or war strategies with a NAFO account, remind yourself that he looks like this **P** 



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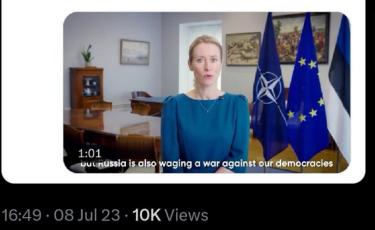
I, as the largest FAFO boosted account and probably the only pro-Ukraine account that doesn't block NAFO doggies, am very pleased to be on this summit, the food was very good taking into account that it was Estonian cuisine.



Kaja Kallas 🤣 @kajakallas · 46m Greetings to #NAFOfellas at the first-ever #NAFOSummit in Vilnius.

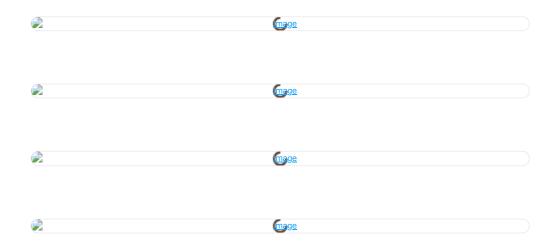
#NAFO is a living example of how to disarm Russian disinformation with humour, intelligence and enthusiasm. Behind every Fella is a real person who believes in #Ukraine's victory.

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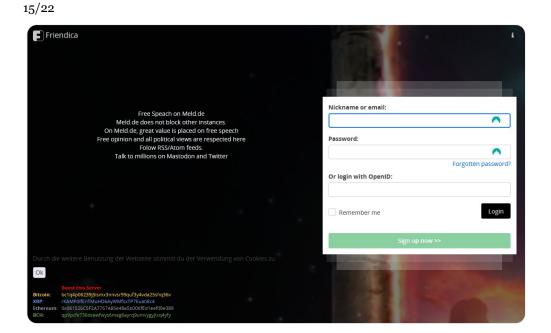
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Dick has another Twitter account, @Mad\_in\_Germany. The content is pretty much the same, but there are two big differences: he writes in German and absolutely no one cares about his tweets. Lesson learned again: for maximum engagement, it's better to LARP as a Russian.

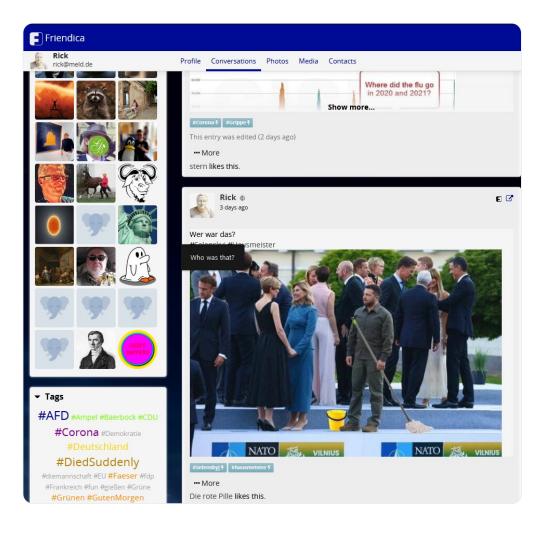


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Dickie has also launched a some sort of "free speach [sic] social media" site, where "all political views are respected." He's posting the same content on his Meld content, but as expected, his site is mostly a ghost town with just a few active users.

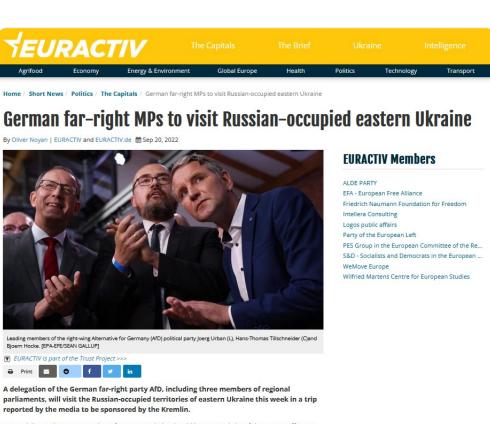


Dick also often posts with his German, non-LARP accounts about the right-wing, populist political party Alternative für Deutschland, or AfD for short. They're best-known for their close ties to the Kremlin, and they've been strongly against the sanctions. In Sep 2022,five.. 16/22





...AfD politicians traveled to Moscow and planned a trip to the Russian-controlled areas in Donbas, Ukraine. One of their MEPs, @KrahMax has often appeared as a commentator on RT and also on CCP-controlled People's Daily.



Meanwhile, analysts suggest that AfD's Russian links should be seen in light of the party's efforts to shore up its voter base.



Leonid Pasechnik, the head of the self-proclaimed Luhansk People's Republic, third from right, and Denis Pushilin, head of the self-proclaimed Donetsk People's Republic, fourth from right, attend a ceremony to reopen a reconstructed World War II memorial on Sept. 8. (Alexander

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Another member of AfD, Markus Frohnmaier, was described to be under Kremlin's "absolute control" in a 2017 strategy paper. He's also named as a recipient of financial benefits in OCCRP investigation of Russia's International Agency for Current Policy.



Markus Frohnmaier Member of parliament, Germany

Frohnmaier, a member of the far-right party Alternative for Germany (AfD), attended several Yalta International Economic Forum events in Crimea. Emails indicate that he worked closely with Manuel Ochsenreiter of AfD, who asked Russians for help funding Frohnmaier's election campaign in 2017. On May 11, 2016, Frohnmaier helped organize a resolution calling for an end to anti-Russian sanctions in the Landtag of the federal state of Baden-Wüttemberg. Sargis Mirzakhanian's organization secretly helped prepare the resolution.

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#### Markus Frohnmaier

## SPD wants to have Russia connections checked by AfD politicians

Media reports suggest Russian influence on AfD member of the Bundestag Markus Frohnmaier. SPD politician Thomas Oppermann wants to have it checked.

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The SPD politician Thomas Oppermann has called for an investigation by the Bundestag's Council of Elders into the alleged connections between <u>AfD</u> MP Markus Frohnmaier and Russian government circles. Frohnmaier should apparently be "a kind of gateway into the Bundestag institution and not just into the AfD," said the Bundestag Vice President of the *picture on Sunday*. "Whether the allegation is true must be clarified in the Council of Elders."

ZDF, *Spiegel* and other media had reported that <u>the Kremlin had</u> specifically supported Frohnmaier in order to promote Russian interests in the <u>Bundestag</u>. A strategy paper from the presidential administration of President Vladimir Putin, which is said to date from the time before the 2017 federal election, states that Frohnmaier will be "a member of parliament who is under absolute control". With his help, "our people could also set up a non-profit organization that will be registered with the Bundestag and through which pro-Russian positions can be promoted."

Imagine being a +60-year-old tanker bridge attendant from West Germany, who pretends to be a Russian political commentator. At the same you're living in a NATO country, and your taxes are used to support it. Dickie, are you sure you don't want to move to Russia for real?



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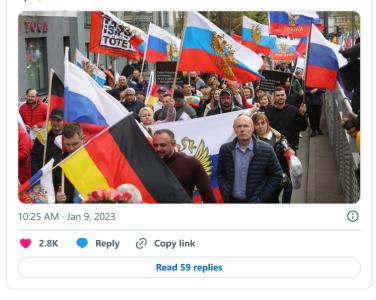


Richard is solid reinforcement to the rather strong pro-Russian fifth column in Germany, and his strength is probably in his double-role - he's actively spreading disinformation and propaganda on two languages and under many accounts.

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In today's #vatnik soup I'll talk about the "fifth column": a group of people who undermine and sabotage a nation or a group from within, usually in favor of a another nation or a group. Their activities often include sabotage, disinfo & propaganda, espionage, and terrorism. 1/19

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The thing that I appreciate about Richard is that he doesn't block people easily.

Now, Mr. @trollstoy88, maybe you can answer my question: Why lie? Why pretend to be something you're not? Is it a (sexual) fantasy, or some kind of personality disorder? Just curious.

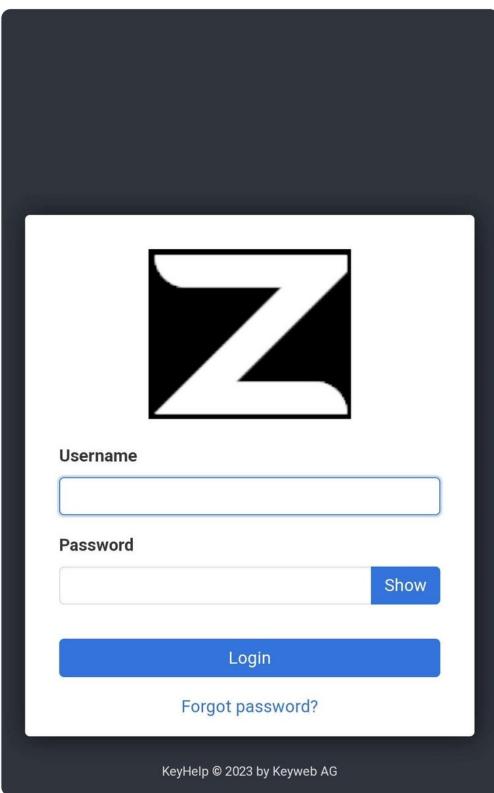
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Oh, and one more question: What is your new website with the logo Z about and does it comply with the German law?

Again, just curious.

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