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In today's #vatniksoup, I'll talk about hybrid operations in the context of information operations. Hybrid operations are a blend of political warfare and influencing methods like employing troll/bot farms, and spreading fake news, propaganda and disinformation.

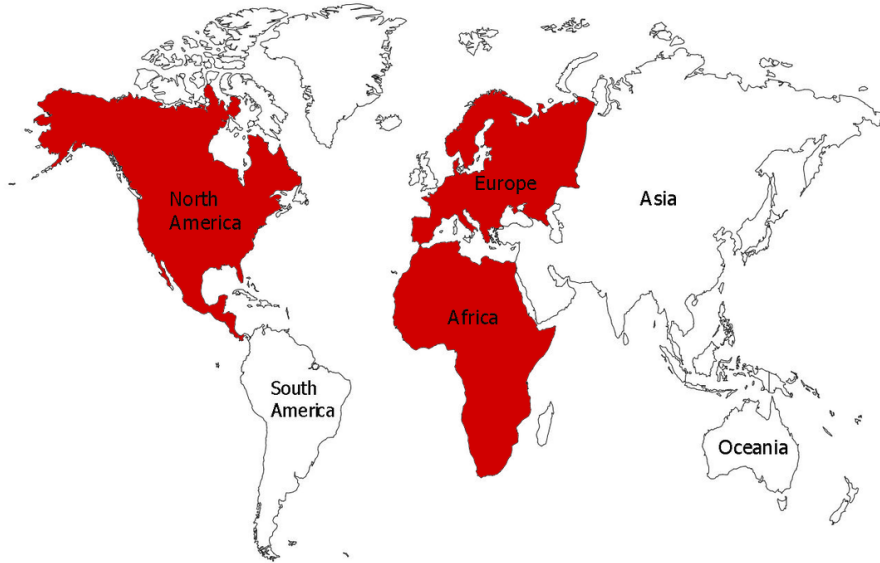
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In this thread, I will demonstrate four case studies on how Russian operatives conduct hybrid operations on three different continents. All of them have distinct characteristics, but rely on the same mechanisms, like using social media to spread the message.

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# SOCIAL MEDIA'S ROLE IN 'HYBRID STRATEGIES'

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Hybrid operations often combine real-world, and orchestrated and pre-planned scenarios with online activities. Sometimes Russia shills attempt to mobilize people for real-life events like protests by inflating these events on social media and fake news sites.

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## Russian trolls created Facebook events seen by more than 300,000 users

by Donie O'Sullivan @CNMoney  
January 26, 2018: 5:13 PM ET





Russian trolls organized protests in Houston  
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Russian trolls organized protests in Houston


Posing as American activists, Russian government-linked trolls created 129 Facebook events between 2015 and 2017.

Pro-Kremlin live events that have been inflated on social media rarely draw a big crowd in real life. According to Facebook group, a 2024 protest in Bucharest was supposed to gather over 50 000 people, but finally only the organizer showed up. The 2023 vatnik gathering...

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 **Julia Pod**   
@JuliaPod\_art

In Romania, Bucharest, there was an attempt by a pro-Russian individual to organize a rally in support of Russia. He enthusiastically announced on his Facebook event that over 50,000 people were expected to attend. However, he found himself alone as no one else showed up 😞 but whyyy?



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..."Rage Against The War Machine" in DC managed to attract a few hundred people with their massive online campaigning and some well-known speakers & pedophiles. In Finland, a 2024 Convoy gathering (with 0 trucks) was also a total bust, regardless of strong online presence.





Dylan Burns

@DylanBurns1776

If you want an idea about crowd size at the "Rage against the War Machine" rally, here is a pic overlooking most of the crowd



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# We need your help...

On February 19<sup>th</sup>, we are marching to Washington D.C. to **Rage Against the War Machine!**  
We need your help in order to make it a success. Please join us in a **Livestream Fundraiser**  
on **Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 pm ET.**



This is our coalition of amazing speakers and organizations who have donated their time and resources in support of this rally.

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Jimmy Dore  
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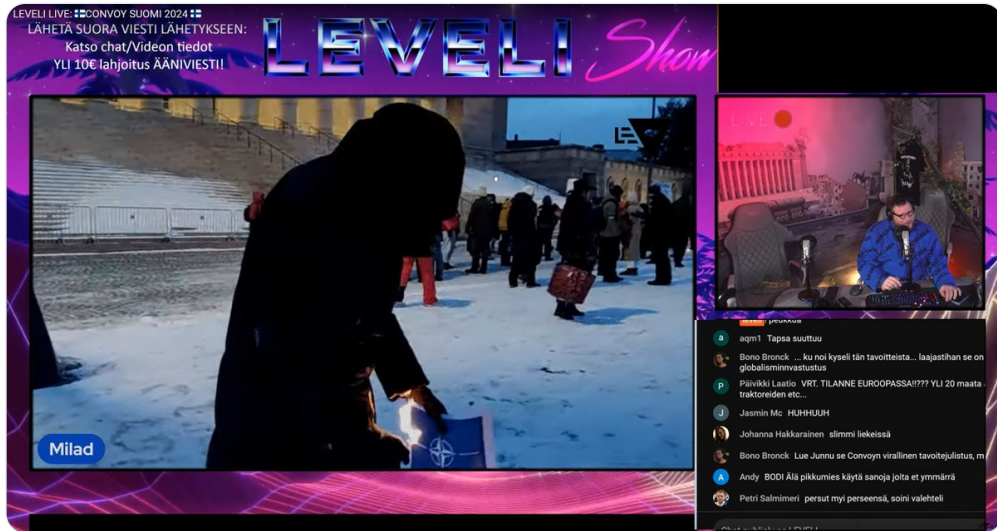
**THE BLOOMER**  
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Host with The Bloomer Media Network

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Craig Jardula  
Co-Host of All Bleeding and The Convoy Couch

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In countries like Germany with strong fifth column and relatively strong support for pro-Kremlin parties like AfD, there have been some larger protests which have allegedly been amplified by the Kremlin:

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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.  
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## Kremlin tries to build antiwar coalition in Germany, documents show

Marrying Germany's far right and far left is a Kremlin goal, according to a trove of Russian documents reviewed by The Washington Post

By Catherine Belton, Souad Mekhennet and Shane Harris  
April 21, 2023 at 2:00 a.m. EDT

(Illustration by Emily Sabens/The Washington Post; Steffi Loos/Getty; Documents shared with The Washington Post; iStock)

Maybe one of the most well-known examples of hybrid operations comes from the US - in 2016, a man named Matt Skiber became active in the US political sphere. He was very active in politics and organized events such as "March for Trump" rally in NY. He arranged megaphones, .. 7/21

## How Russian Trolls Crept Into the Trump Campaign's Facebook Messages



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A Trump campaign rally in Tampa, Fla., in 2016. The campaign's operation in the state received thousands of inquiries about getting involved. Damon Winter/The New York Times

By **Kenneth P. Vogel**

March 8, 2018

WASHINGTON — When the message from Matt Skiber arrived in the mailbox of the Facebook account for Donald J. Trump's Florida campaign in early August 2016, it raised no flags, despite its slightly awkward attempts at colloquial American English.

..designed posters, wrote press releases and communicated with other Trump supporters. In reality, Matt Skiber didn't exist - he was a "digital illegal" created by a troll farm employee posing as a Trump supporter. Digital illegals are extremely effective and..

69. On or about August 2, 2016, Defendants and their co-conspirators used the false U.S. persona "Matt Skiber" Facebook account to send a private message to a real Facebook account, "Florida for Trump," set up to assist then-candidate Trump in the state of Florida. In the first message, Defendants and their co-conspirators wrote:

Hi there! I'm a member of Being Patriotic online community. Listen, we've got an idea. Florida is still a purple state and we need to paint it red. If we lose Florida, we lose America. We can't let it happen, right? What about organizing a YUGE pro-Trump flash mob in every Florida town? We are currently reaching out to local activists and we've got the folks who are okay to be in charge of organizing their events almost everywhere in FL. However, we still need your support. What do you think about that? Are you in?

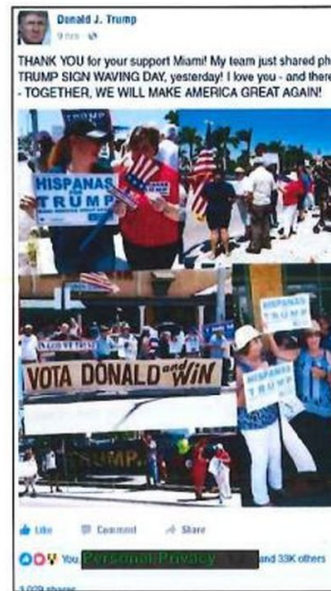
... very cheap assets that can be deployed and organized quickly. They are also easily augmented with the help of troll/bot farms, and for this reason Russia has been investing heavily in them for over a decade. In digital warfare, Russia has been ahead of the West,...



A November 7, 2016 post from the IRA-controlled Twitter account @Pamela\_Moore13 was retweeted by Donald J. Trump Jr.<sup>103</sup>

On September 19, 2017, President Trump's personal account @realDonaldTrump responded to a tweet from the IRA-controlled account @10\_gop (the backup account of @TEN\_GOP, which had already been deactivated by Twitter). The tweet read: "We love you, Mr. President!"<sup>104</sup>

IRA employees monitored the reaction of the Trump campaign and, later, Trump Administration officials to their tweets. For example, on August 23, 2016, the IRA-controlled persona "Matt Skiber" Facebook account sent a message to a U.S. Tea Party activist, writing that "Mr. Trump posted about our event in Miami! This is great!"<sup>105</sup> The IRA employee included a screenshot of candidate Trump's Facebook account, which included a post about the August 20, 2016 political rallies organized by the IRA.



*Screenshot of Trump Facebook Account (from Matt Skiber)*



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# Twitter staff cuts leave Russian trolls unchecked

14 April 2023



Social media regulation debate



REUTERS

By Grigor Atanesian

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...and social media sites haven't found an effective way to counter them. In the past, they've been used in large, polarizing events like Black Lives Matter and climate change protests and COVID-19 lockdowns to provoke civil unrest and infighting, and divide societies.

VIRTUAL HATRED:  
HOW RUSSIA TRIED TO START A RACE WAR  
IN THE UNITED STATES

William J. Aceves\*

*During the 2016 U.S. presidential election, the Russian government engaged in a sophisticated strategy to influence the U.S. political system and manipulate American democracy. While most news reports have focused on the cyber-attacks aimed at Democratic Party leaders and possible contacts between Russian officials and the Trump presidential campaign, a more pernicious intervention took place. Throughout the campaign, Russian operatives created hundreds of fake personas on social media platforms and then posted thousands of advertisements and messages that sought to promote racial divisions in the United States. This was a coordinated propaganda effort. Some Facebook and Twitter posts denounced the Black Lives Matter movement and others condemned White nationalist groups. Some called for violence. To be clear, these were posts by fake personas created by Russian operatives. But their effects were real. The purpose of this strategy was to manipulate public opinion on racial issues and disrupt the political process. This Article examines Russia's actions and considers whether they violate the international prohibitions against racial discrimination and hate speech.*



December 02, 2021 17:41  
GMT

By Reid Standish

## Study Shows How Russian, Chinese Disinformation About COVID-19 Evolved During The Pandemic

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"As opposed to China, Russian disinformation is rarely about trying to make Russia look good to a foreign audience," says Edward Lucas of the Center for European Policy Analysis. "It's about exploiting disunity and polarization that already exists in the West."

Today, this "digital fifth column" promotes and augments various conspiracy theories and strongly polarizing social phenomena, for example the US border dispute and Texas "secession" in the US and farmer protests and anti-Israel rallies in Europe.

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DAVID CLIBERT | POLITICS | FEB 7, 2024 11:42 AM

## Russia Is Boosting Calls for 'Civil War' Over Texas Border Crisis

An all-encompassing Russian disinformation campaign is using everything from bots to lifestyle influencers to powerful state-run media to sow division in the United States.



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## AI-Generated Deepfake Targets Texas Governor Amid Immigration Standoff

A doctored video falsely suggesting that Texas Governor Greg Abbott expressed admiration for Putin circulates on social media amid a dispute over immigration policies.

**Salman Khan**

05 Feb 2024 19:06 EST

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In an era where artificial intelligence (AI) has pervaded our lives, including the realm of information dissemination, a doctored video has surfaced on popular social media platforms like Twitter, Facebook, and TikTok. The video misrepresents the words of Texas Governor Greg Abbott, falsely implying that he expressed admiration for Russian President Vladimir Putin. The manipulated video clip has emerged in the midst of a heated debate between Governor Abbott and the Biden administration over immigration policies.

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## Pro-Russian forces hijack Czech farmers' protest

By Aneta Zachová | EURACTIV.cz Est. 3min 20-02-2024

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"Today's demonstration has little to do with the struggle for better conditions for farmers. The demonstration is being organised by people who make no secret of their support for the Kremlin, for example, and are pursuing goals other than the interests of farmers," Czech Prime Minister Petr Fiala (ODS, ECR) wrote on X. [EPA-EFE/MARTIN DIVISEK]

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## How Russia uses the Israel-Gaza Crisis in its disinformation campaign against the West

08 Dec 2023  
Short Read by Maria Shamrai



In the second example, we'll go to Europe and focus on the farmer protests that have been going around Europe for some years now. The motivation for these protests is genuine - the farmers are genuinely concerned about their income and the reasons for this are manifold.

## Why are farmers protesting across the EU and what can the bloc do about it?

Food producers say increasing costs, tiny margins and climate policies leave livelihoods in peril

- [Disaffected farmers hurl eggs at European parliament](#)

**Jon Henley** *Europe correspondent*

🐦 @jonhenley

Fri 2 Feb 2024 06:00 CET

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📷 A tractor blockade by angry farmers brought Brussels to a standstill on Thursday. Photograph: Xinhua/Rex/Shutterstock

Hundreds of tractors **choked Brussels city centre** on Thursday and angry farmers pelted the European parliament with eggs. Although agriculture was not on the agenda for EU leaders meeting just up the road, politicians may find that they ignore these grievances at their peril.

Here is a look at what lies behind the farmers' protests that have been sweeping Europe for months - in countries such as Greece, Germany, Portugal, Poland and France, where the government was **taken by surprise this week** by a motorway blockade of Paris.

But it's safe to say that Russia has been using all of their resources to provoke the protest. For example, @molnar\_agency exposed the Polish protest leader as a member of a pro-Russian party, and TVN24 exposed one of the protesters to be connected with the Russian embassy.





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It's not about you, Eva. Please. It's about THEM.



**Eva Vlaardingerbroek**  @... · 21 u

Here to support the German farmers.



We're witnessing nothing short of an uprising here of normal, hard workin...



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## A man appearing at the Russian ambassador took advantage of the protest of farmers in Warsaw

TVN24 | Poland 27 February 2024, 23:00 The source is: "Facts" TVN, tvn24.pl, PAP



In 2022, Russia launched a huge disinformation campaign called Doppelgänger. The group produces video and photos of staged events and then tries to make them go viral on social media with the use of troll farms and fake news blogs. The group relies on fake websites...



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## DOPPELGÄNGER OPERATION

This page is designed to gather a timeline of the Doppelgänger operation with a few elements collected from different reports. This page goes beyond the single Doppelgänger operation and also brings together additional knowledge about other operations (RRN, WarOnFakes, Ukraine Inc) allegedly led by the same operators, namely Russian companies Strukturta and Social Design Agency (SDA/ASP).

To this date, this resource page is mainly based on:

- August 2022: [T-Online report](#)
- August 2022: [Sueddeutsche Zeitung](#)
- September 2022: [EU DisinfoLab report](#)
- September 2022: [Qurium report](#)
- September 2022: [Meta report](#)
- September 2022: [DFR Lab report](#)
- June 2023: [Viginum report](#)
- August 2023: [Graphika report](#)
- October 2023: [Reset report](#)
- November 2023: [The Insider report](#)
- November 2023: [Communication from the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#)
- November 2023: [Report from the GEC](#)
- December 2023: [Report from Recorded Future on Obfuscation Infrastructure](#)
- January 2024: [Report from the Guardian](#)
- February 2024: [Report from Qurium](#) (links with Operation Matriochka)

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BY DAVID GILBERT POLITICS DEC 6, 2023 6:08 AM

### Fake Taylor Swift Quotes Are Being Used to Spread Anti-Ukraine Propaganda

A disinformation campaign led by a group linked to Russia's GRU is using images of celebrities like Taylor Swift, Beyoncé, Kim Kardashian, Justin Bieber, and Oprah to lambast Ukraine.

PHOTO ILLUSTRATION: ANJALI WARR, GETTY IMAGES

...that mimic the appearance of large news media, including Der Spiegel, Fox News and The Washington Post. In May 2023, @kevinshakir et al. exposed that the group tried to create fake anti-Ukraine/NATO protests using paid actors/agents:



**Kevin Shakir**  
@kevinshakir · Follow



1/9 📖 10(!) anti-Ukrainian demonstrations in European cities linked to a Russian intelligence service.

We have just published the second piece of our investigation on how leaked Russian documents reveal fake protests, shared by men in St. Petersburg. 🗨️  
[dr.dk/nyheder/indlan...](https://dr.dk/nyheder/indlan...)



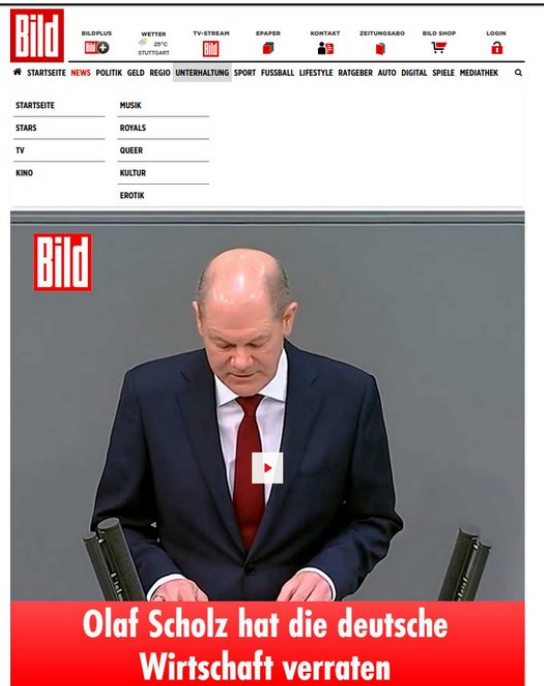
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An article in the fake Bild site, saying "Olaf Scholtz has betrayed the German economy."

The fake websites share some common properties:

- The front page of the cloned websites redirects to the authentic media.
- Fake articles focus on the energy crisis, war refugees, Ukraine and the military conflict.
- Videos included in the articles are located on the same hosting server and are not streamed from a third party platform.
- Videos included in the articles share name format and metadata.
- The fake websites often use the subdomains **redir**, **videos**, **m** and **news**.
- The fake domains also use the form **www-t-online-de.tonline[.]cfd** **www-spiegel-de.spiegel[.]fun**
- The fake websites remotely load assets from the original websites.

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# Fake protesters appear in several places: Russian intelligence is linked to ten actions in Europe

Two men in Saint Petersburg spread notices about fake demonstrations in European cities to hundreds of thousands on social media, mapping shows.



The ten fake actions were held in Paris, Brussels, The Hague and Madrid and then spread on social media by two North African men. (Photo: © Graphics by Frederik Storm)

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2/9 Content from the fake demonstrations have been spread on social platforms Dec. 2022 - April 2023.

The playbook: Send three persons to a legit demonstration with similar posters, film them in front of a crowd and share to make it look like Europeans are against Ukraine.



Les Belges protestent contre la réunion de l'OTAN à Bruxelles .  
14/02/2023



Madrid, una manifestación 12/11/23. Contra el régimen corrupto de Zelensky



Huge march in 11/02/2023 in the city of Paris against Nato



Protesters in Netherlands to stop supporting Ukraine with weapons

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Doppelgänger operatives were also involved in painting graffiti of Stars of David on buildings around Paris after the 7th Oct 2023 Hamas terrorist attack. These graffiti were then shared around social media and fake news media to further fuel the antisemitic sentiment.

France

## France slams Russian networks for 'exploiting' crises with posts of Star of David graffiti in Paris

The French foreign ministry accused Russian online networks of attempting to "exploit international crises to sow confusion" in France and in Europe by sharing photos of the Stars of David appearing around Paris, graffiti that has been widely suspected of being an anti-Semitic statement.

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A woman walks past a building tagged with Stars of David in Paris, France, October 31, 2023. © Lucien Libert, Reuters

Russia has poured massive amount of money into a project called Maidan-3. This 1,5 billion USD project aims to propagate anti-Ukrainian sentiments online, and it will culminate in Mar-Apr of 2024. One of the main goals of the project is to stop military aid to Ukraine.



## WAR

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## Russian Mайдan-3 PsyOp to culminate in March-May

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The Ukrainian President's Intelligence Committee has stated that the Russian psychological operation against Ukraine will conclude in the coming weeks, and Russia expects to shake the situation and inflict a military defeat on Ukraine in the east by the first half of June.

**Quote:** "The special operation Mайдan-3 will culminate in March-May 2024, and in the coming weeks, the enemy will cease all efforts to spread narratives harmful to global security and incite conflicts – both within Ukraine and in other parts of the world where Ukraine is effectively supported.

The campaign methodology is traditional for the Russian special services: to question the legitimacy of government decisions made in Ukraine after 20 May, to instil fear and despair, to artificially clash civilians against the military, to foment quarrels with our allies, and to spread all kinds of conspiracy theories in society.

This is happening in the context of the Russian Federation's public statements about the development of new types of superweapons, which the Russians claim will ensure Russia's technical superiority over the West for the next decade. This is done with the intention to convey that resisting Russia's goals in Ukraine is dangerous for the world, and Russia will pressure other countries to engage in direct dialogue on Ukraine without our participation.

Furthermore, the Russians will use their own agents of influence in Ukraine and around the world to organise various protests, deliberately undermining the process of exchanging prisoners of war.

In Africa, Russia has used PMC Wagner/Africa Corps for their hybrid operations. They've conducted hybrid operations at least in Central African Republic, Mali and Sudan. In CAR, they even vandalized a French brewery to start their own:



<https://www.youtube.com/embed/LwLbPDvM-c>

## Russia's Lies in the Central African Republic

Russia's **disinformation and propaganda ecosystem** falsely portrays the Wagner Group as playing a positive role in nations such as CAR. Although the Wagner Group has been deployed in CAR since 2018, Russian officials still refer to the group's forces as "Russian instructors" when discussing the group's activities, a narrative that continued after Prigozhin's death in August 2023. Russian **officials** quoted in Russian state-funded **media** claim that Russian instructors have "saved" CAR and are "strengthening peace and stability" to **bring** a "lasting peace." The U.S.-sanctioned **Officer's Union of International Security (OUIS** or "COSI") serves as a front company for Wagner Group operations in CAR. Its U.S.-sanctioned director, Aleksandr Ivanov, justifies Wagner's presence in CAR, **saying** "The fighters of the Wagner Group remain in CAR, so the inhabitants of the Republic can sleep peacefully! ...the Republic has become a safe place for the life and development of the local population."

PARIS/DAKAR, June 21 (Reuters) - After armed men **killed** [9](#) nine Chinese nationals at a gold mine in Central African Republic in March, a video circulated on the internet saying France had secretly ordered the attack and planned to discredit Russian mercenary group Wagner in the country.

In the video, a Central African Republic rebel fighter says "the French want to drive Wagner out of Africa".

The clip rang alarm bells in Paris at a media monitoring unit within the foreign ministry created last year as part of a broad diplomatic strategy to revive ties in France's former African colonies after years of waning influence.

By December 2021, **proof** of Wagner's presence in Mali emerged, even as the Malian government **denied** their presence.

A pro-junta and **pro-Russia** group called **Collectif pour la défense des militaires** (CDM) successfully **lobbied** the junta in April 2022 to **ban** the French government-funded public broadcasters RFI and France 24 from Mali's airwaves. Meanwhile, social networks such as Russosphere **were gaining traction** with posts accusing Ukrainians of "Nazism" and France of modern-day "colonialism."

In August 2022, France completed its **withdrawal of forces** from the country. And in June, the UN Security Council voted to end its peacekeeping mission, MINUSMA, in Mali. Earlier that month, Mali asked the UN peacekeeping force to leave "**without delay**," citing a "crisis of confidence" between Malian authorities and the UN mission. Later reports would **suggest** that Wagner helped engineer the UN's departure.



# Wagner mercenary group 'played role in destabilising Sudan' as MPs call for terrorist classification

Russian company accused of training paramilitary soldiers, supplying weapons to warring factions and promoting misinformation

Harriet Barber, GLOBAL HEALTH SECURITY REPORTER  
26 April 2023 • 4:30pm

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All-Party Parliamentary Group report urges the UK to 'proscribe the Wagner Group as a terrorist organisation, and impose targeted sanctions' | CREDIT: Dmitri Lovetsky/AP

All of these operations are still ongoing in some form: in the US, millions of "Christian BBQ dads" are calling for Texas secession and protection of its warm water ports, in Europe Doppelgänger is trying to create outrage by staging scenarios, hoping they'd go viral,...



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This is obviously a Russian. Only Russia talks about the value of a warm water port. Because the US as a whole has several and this has never been an issue for us.



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Texas, a Superpower?

- 8th largest economy now.
- 50th by population in the world.
- A warm water port, oil / natural gas and major tech industries.
- Our own power grid and military as well?

What in the literal Fuck are we waiting for?  
An invitation?

Time Texans govern Texas!

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*Tweets posted by accounts in the network containing cospypasta and URLs which all redirect to the fake NATO press release about protests in France.*

...and Wagner/Africa Corps are trying to overthrow governments and replace them with pro-Kremlin dictators, and at the same time attempt to control the information space in Africa together with massive fake news networks like Russosphere and media networks like Sputnik.

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## Russia in Africa: How disinformation operations target the continent

1 February 2023



AFP

The networks promotes Russia's Wagner mercenaries



By **Grigor Atanesian**

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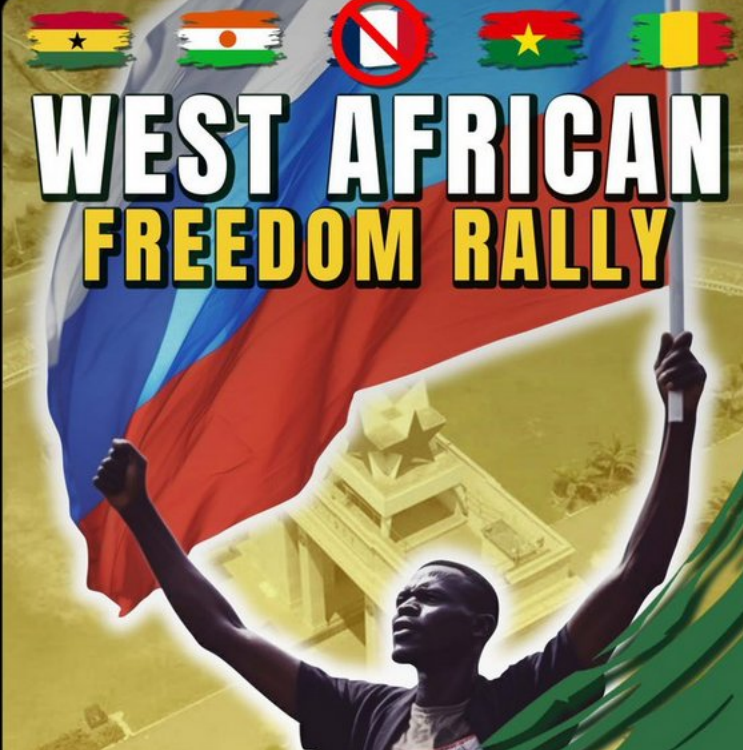
**A large social network that promotes anti-Western and pro-Kremlin ideas is helping Russia expand its influence at the expense of France in some of its former colonies in Africa.**

Called Russosphere (Russian Sphere), typical posts accuse France of modern-day "colonialism", eulogise Vladimir Putin, and call the Ukrainian army "Nazis" and "Satanists", echoing the official Russian line.

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Overall, the West has been unable to respond and counter these massive campaigns. Once they've been discovered and exposed by outlets like @EUvsDisinfo, @StopFakingNews or BBC Verify, several new ones have already appeared in the social media space.



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In today's [#vatniksoup](#), I'll discuss about X's massive problem with social media manipulation, paid shills, bots, and trolls.

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### **The Firehose of Falsehood: the Russian style of propaganda for an age of information abundance.**

- High volume and multi-channel approach
- Shameless in its willingness to broadcast lies
- No commitment to, or requirement for consistency
- Rapid, continuous and repetitive messaging
- Point is not to persuade but to confuse and overwhelm
- Assumes a low trust environment *and lowers it further*
- Number of arguments matters more than their quality
- Drown out competing messages through sheer volume

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In today's [#vatniksoup](#) and another edition of "You pronounced this nonsense, not me", I'll go through some of the most common pro-Russian claims and tropes. I have discussed these in previous soups, but I feel like this type of general collection would be a helpful resource.  
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