

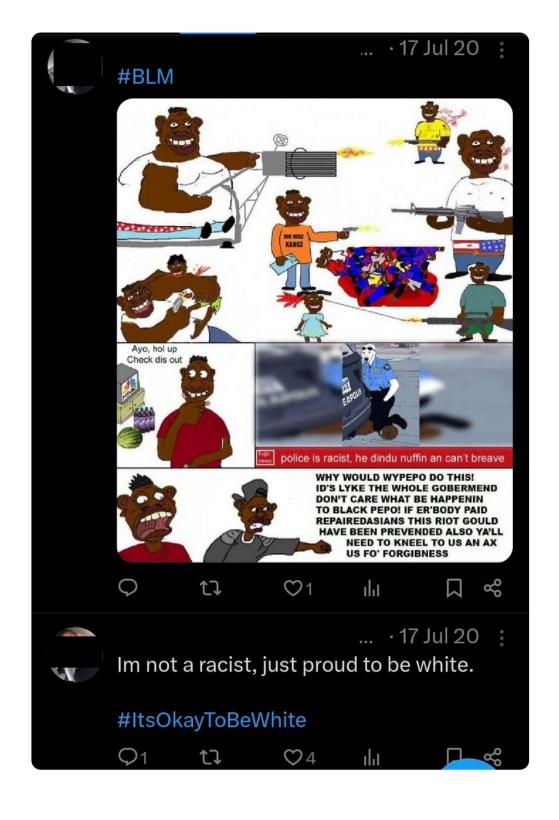
In today's #vatniksoup, I'll introduce a Russian social media personality and vatnik archetype, Mr. G (@Wagnersfamily). He's best-known for sharing the most outrageous Kremlin lies, albeit previously being extremely anti-Putin and Kremlin, even coining the term "vatnik".

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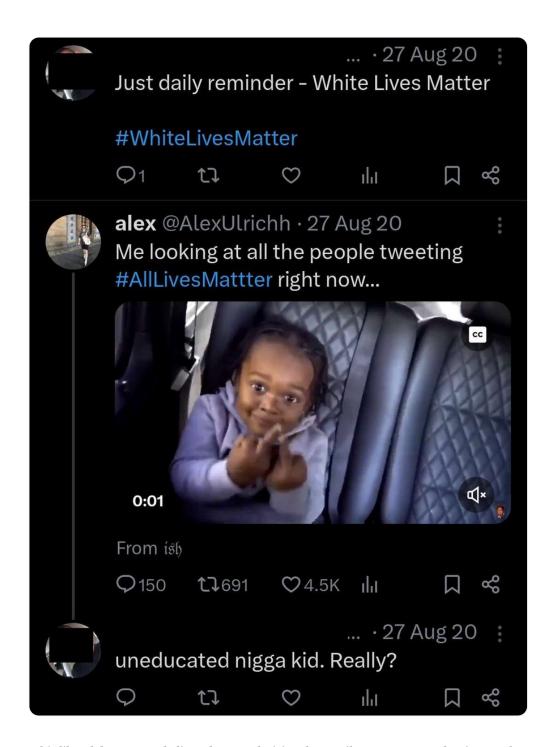


It's worth noting, that G is an extremely irrelevant account and person, but his almost comical descent from an anti-Putin, fully fledged Russian Liberal, to full blown vatnik, who doesn't hesitate to lie and naturally lives outside of Russia, is worth demonstrating.



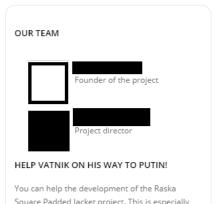






In his liberal days G was dedicated to popularizing the vatnik meme. He ran the site together with his friend, and also the @trueVATNIK Twitter account, which went inactive in 2015, but was popular in circles opposed to Putin's imperialist ambitions.

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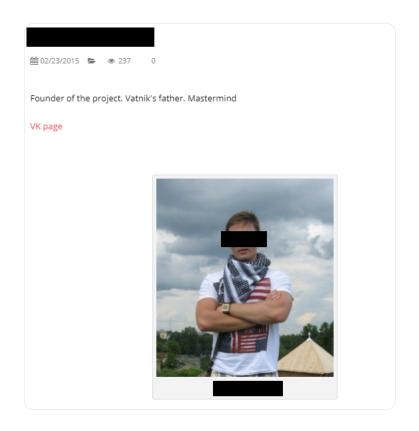
Square Padded Jacket project. This is especially relevant now that we have decided to promote Vatnik to a Western audience.



Project director. Team management, technical part of the project

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G's online activities attracted criticism from the Russian authorities, and drew attention from a local news site in Omsk. He was described as a traitor, & in defending himself he somewhat ironically described the "Russian" mindset that he himself would later fall into.

An Internet project called "Rashka Vatnik" specializes in publishing satirical comics on social networks, the main theme of which is grotesquery on the theme of Russian patriotism. The hero of the humorous stories "Rashka Vatnik" is a caricature character of the same name, endowed, according to the authors, with the characteristic attributes of an ardent patriot. He wears a winter padded jacket, constantly drinks alcohol, carries the national flag, plays the balalaika, shouts slogans, and under his eye he always has a blue black eye.



The resource administrator, a native of who took the surname of his American wife and has been living in Mexico for more than a year, admits that he is not welcomed in his hometown.

"Rashka Vatnik" was also subjected to violent criticism from former fellow countrymen of Omsk politicians.

"This is nothing more than primitive humor performed by narrow-minded people, not worthy of public attention. Such people do not have any moral principles. Naturally, I, as a citizen, am offended to see this when the country is mixed with crap, trying to gain popularity among the liberal community," Alexey Baykov, leader of the Omsk youth wing of the Communist Party of the Russian Federation, told SuperOmsk.

The Omsk branch of the Rodina party calls

"We have a democratic country in which everyone can have their own point of view. However, what this creature writes cannot be called anything other than betrayal. Such people need to be tried, and publicly, for their complicity with the United States and the Ukrainian junta. And it doesn't matter where they are now. We believe that Roskomnadzor should block this account, protecting it from society," says Valery Stolbunov, chairman of the regional branch of the Rodina party.

himself does not see anything prejudiced in Vatnik's adventures.

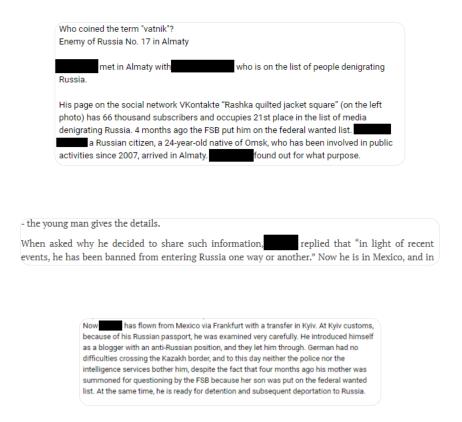
"Sharp social satire, in this case it is Rashka Kvadratny Vatnik, is the very counterbalance to official Kremlin propaganda. We make fun of the capricious patriotism, the Soviet mentality of people who prefer to live in the past. The cartoons that we publish very accurately reflect the life, interests and way of thinking of the average Russian who watches Russian television and blindly believes everything they say. The problem with the Russian mentality is that these people have never seen or known freedom. We are for freedom, for the right to express ourselves and for the right to ridicule the "vatness" of Russian society in any way!"-

A far cry from his current views, G once believed that Russia was an imperialist power that was illegally occupying its neighbors, & that Russia should be broken into 14 parts. These views brought him to the attention of nationalists & attracted the attention of the FSB.

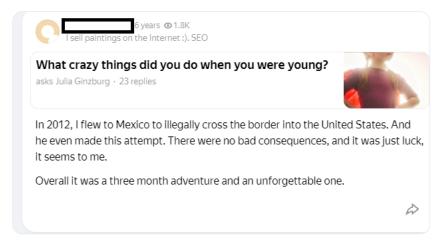
Since that time, since 2007. and his supporters have been promoting the idea of dividing the Russian Federation into 14 independent states. The term "vatnik was coined by his friend and partner in 2012 before the events in Ukraine: at first, "vatnik" ridiculed the Russian "cattle" - jingoistic patriots who care for the power of Russia. Before the war in the south-east of Ukraine, only citizens of the Russian Federation were members of the "Rashka square quilted jacket" group. Now 43% of subscribers to their public are Ukrainians. The 2000s generation grew up on the articles of the groups founded by and illustrated by when they appeared online, subscribers were 12-15 years old; now they are adults, financially independent people. At the beginning of the emergence of groups calling for the return of the Kuril Islands to Japan, Kaliningrad to Germany and the lease of part of the Far East to China, there were about 700 people, now their total reach is more than 2 million. The most famous groups: "Ukrainian offensive-21" - 512 participants, "ATO/Cyborg" (450,046), "Rashka square quilted jacket" (66,110). is the administrator of some of them.

After the FSB issued a notice for his arrest, he fled to Mexico, where despite claims to be in Siberia, he resides today. According to Russian news articles at the time, G supposedly adopted surname from his American wife, as opposed to his original, Russian one.

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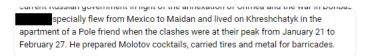


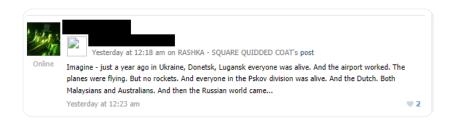
Once in Mexico, Mr. G took an illegal 3 month excursion into the US, calling the "three month adventure" an "unforgettable one". Only he can say why he wanted to visit the capital of western Satanism and LGBT degeneracy.



Mr. G even supposedly flew from Mexico to assist Maidan, making Molotovs and bringing tires to barricades. He was at one point in his life firmly in the pro-Ukrainian camp, and saw the Russian intervention in the Donbas for what it was - thinly veiled imperialism.

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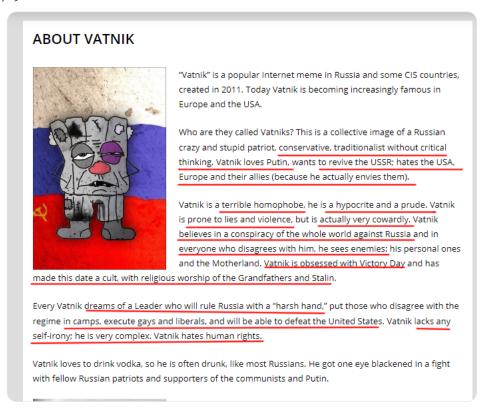
Sadly, since then, he has descended into the typical vatnik behaviour he once opposed. Without any sense of self irony, he now parrots the Kremlin party line about neo-Nazis in Ukraine, while unironically having become a white supremacist who rants about Zionists.





Ironically, G's past means that the original About page describing the character of Vatnik was likely written by G himself. So, let's take a moment to compare what is probably G's own description of a Vatnik with his own behavior to see how far he has fallen.

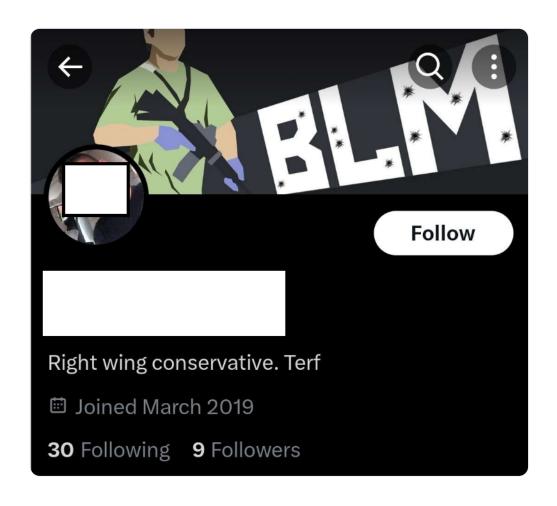
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"Conservative traditionalist who loves Putin" 🔽



G describes himself as a right wing conservative. He considers feminism the origin of "western degradation", even running an anti-feminist group on VK. He proudly declares he voted for Putin, describing him as a great man.







"Wants to revive the USSR. Hates the USA, Europe and Allies." 🗸

G now wishes for the return of the USSR, expressing his sadness at how impossible it seems. He considers the US and allies satanic, being willing to accept nuclear war and the end of Russia to wipe them out.





"Terrible homophobe." 🗸

G expresses his terrible homophobia in his tweets, considering a single pride parade to have caused the "fall" of Serbia, and celebrating the attitudes of the Kremlin towards LGBT.



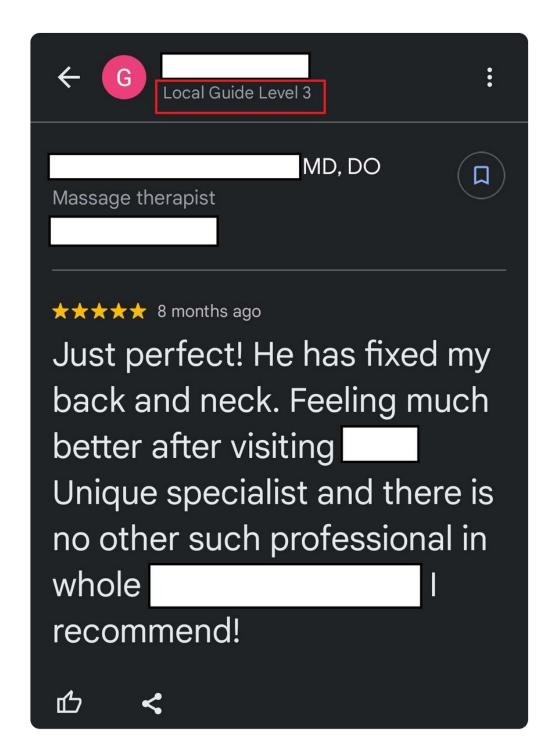


"Prone to lies and violence, but actually very cowardly" 🔽

G pretends that he's served in the Russian military, which is an outright lie. He's been hiding out in Mexico & considers himself banned from going home. He did reach level 3 as a Local Guide on Google, though!







[&]quot;Believes in a conspiracy of the whole world against Russia" 🗸

G believes that the US government is controlled by "Zionists" as some kind of satanic ring. He considers that Russia is currently trying to save the world from this "satanic evil".





"Dreams of a Leader who will rule Russia with a harsh hand" 🗸

G considers Russia lucky to have a "strong leader" in Putin. He considers beating up liberals "not even assault", because allowing them to speak "threatens Russian independence and integrity".





"Lacks self irony. Hypocrite" 🗸

G definitely lacks self irony having become the very archetype of the vatniks that he once mocked. His hypocrisy is on constant display as he rails against Russian liberals & those who've fled Russia, from the safety of his home in Mexico.



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The Siberian woman sold all her property, including her apartment, and left for Mexico with her children, from where she later crossed the border into the USA. She spent almost all her savings, lives in a homeless shelter (waiting for her court hearing), is happy that she was given a basic phone, and her children got free bus tickets.





Сибирская баба продала все свое имущество, включая квартиру, и махнула с детьми в Мексику, откуда потом перешла границу с США. Потратила почти все накопления, живёт в бомжатнике (ждёт суда), радуется, что ей дали ...

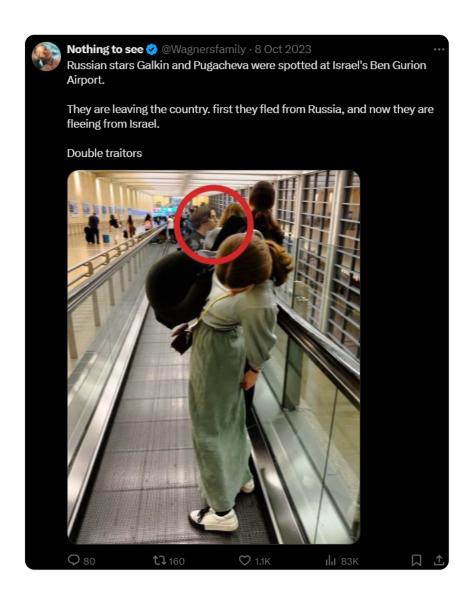
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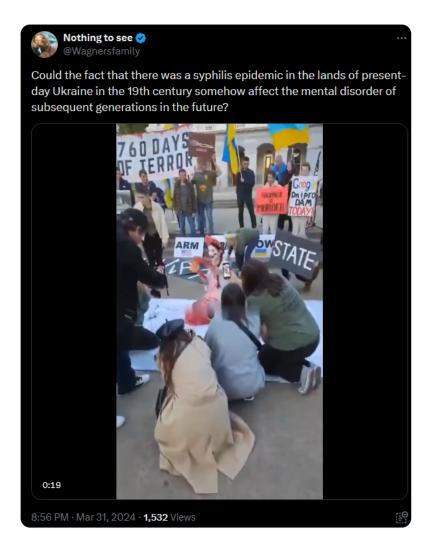
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But I also have another theory - maybe Mr. G is afraid of his home country's intelligence agencies and tries to make amends by doing this over-the-top anti-Western persona? Either way, G's online antics have reached a comical level.

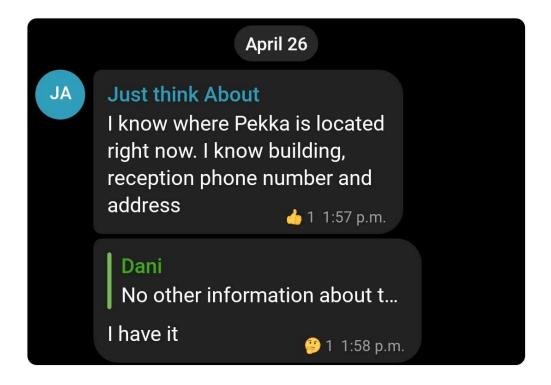








For this soup, I decided to do something I should do more - I asked G for a comment. Soon after I told him about the upcoming soup, there was talk on Z spaces that people are "looking for info on me". Maybe you wanted all this liberal stuff to stay a secret, @Wagnersfamily? 19/19





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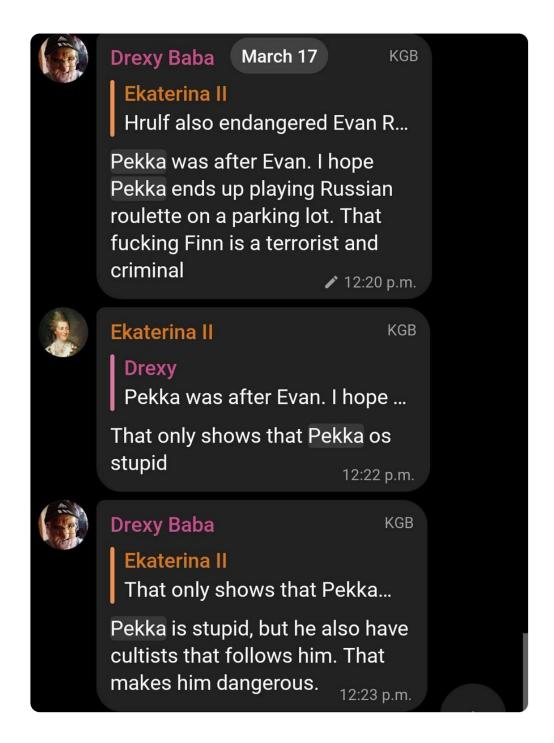
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