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Forum of Free Russia (FFR)

Institution

All actors • Russia

Official position/function in relation to the conflict

<u>The Forum of Free Russia</u> was created in 2016 by a group of opposition politicians at the initiative of Garry Kasparov. At present, the FFR can be definitely called the largest platform for Russian democratic opposition, where the strategy of actions of the opposition forces and civil society, as well as up-to-date political issues, are discussed.

The FFR normally makes all decisions at its conferences, which are usually held in Vilnius. Since February 2020, almost all work has gone offline. Now the main decisions on actions between the Forums are taken by the Standing Committee of the FFR.

The position in relation to the conflict in Donbas is sharply critical. The FFR condemns the actions of Russia and is doing a great job of documenting the crimes of the Russian armed forces, classifying the persons guilty of unleashing and maintaining the conflict.

Actions in relation to the conflict region

The Forum constantly hosts discussions on the conflict in Ukraine and Russian-Ukrainian relations, in which Ukrainian experts participate.

One of the major projects of the FFR is the "Putin's List." This is a database created and constantly updated by the Forum "in order to search, consolidate and unify data on the persons responsible for the creation and functioning of the system of usurpation of power and suppression of civil liberties in Russia." The section "Aggressors" includes those who are "responsible for pursuing a policy of war, occupation, and chaos in relation to other countries, violation of international law and international treaties in the political interests of the leadership of the Russian Federation." A significant part of the persons in this section are persons involved in the CRDLO militants, separatists, the leadership of the "D/LPR," the persons involved in the MH17 case, as well as their Russian curators.

Another large project of the FFR is the International Civic Tribunal for the Crimes of the Putin regime, where the main part is devoted to the crimes of ideologists and actors of influence, guilty of unleashing and calling for an aggressive war against Ukraine.