

#MissionRussianEscape

A Humanitarian Evacuation Framework for Russian Civilians

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Abstract

#MissionRussianEscape is a civilian humanitarian initiative designed to assist Russian citizens—particularly dissidents, war resisters, LGBTQ+ persons, and other at-risk populations—in safely exiting Russia and securing legal asylum abroad. This document outlines a five-phase operational framework for escape, transit, asylum, and reintegration, with a focus on security, international cooperation, and ethical support infrastructure.

1 Mission Objective

To create a secure, human-rights-based infrastructure for helping peaceful Russian civilians escape increasing authoritarianism, war mobilization, and systemic repression, and to support their legal asylum and resettlement in democratic states.

2 Phase I: Pre-Escape Preparation

2.1 1.1 Eligibility Screening

- Political dissidents, journalists, activists
- LGBTQ+ individuals and ethnic/religious minorities
- Conscientious objectors and draft evaders
- Families with children in vulnerable situations

2.2 1.2 Digital Safety Protocol

- Encrypt all communication (Signal, ProtonMail, Tails OS)
- Use VPNs (Mullvad, iVPN), burner phones
- Avoid social media activity suggesting escape plans
- Back up identity documents to encrypted USB devices

3 Phase II: Escape Routes

3.1 2.1 Land-Based Exits

- **Georgia (Lars Border)** – Closest for southern Russians
- **Kazakhstan** – Relatively open but tightening
- **Mongolia** – Discreet long-distance route
- **Finland/Norway** – Schengen visas or border asylum only

3.2 2.2 Air Routes (Visa-Free Options)

- **Serbia, Armenia, Turkey** – Initial safe transit hubs
- Secondary movement to EU, Canada, or South America

4 Phase III: Transit & Temporary Shelter

4.1 3.1 NGO and Safehouse Networks

- **OVD-Info, Memorial, Borderless for Refugees**
- **Rainbow Railroad** – LGBTQ+ cases
- Locations: Tbilisi, Yerevan, Almaty, Istanbul

4.2 3.2 Financial Support Tools

- Cold-wallet crypto (Monero, BTC)
- Discreet donations from diaspora networks
- Underground peer-to-peer cash exchange (vetted only)

5 Phase IV: Legal Asylum and Resettlement

5.1 4.1 Asylum Procedures

- Apply to **UNHCR** or national asylum systems
- Document risk: police threats, draft orders, persecution
- Countries: Germany, Canada, Netherlands, France

5.2 4.2 Legal and Translation Aid

- NGOs: **HIAS, ECRE, Refugee Rights Europe**
- Community translation services for documents and interviews

6 Phase V: Reintegration and Advocacy

6.1 5.1 Post-Asylum Integration

- Language training, housing, education access
- Psychological support and trauma counseling
- Employment pathways via refugee networks

6.2 5.2 Civic Participation

- Document war crimes or political repression
- Join advocacy campaigns for peace and freedom in Russia
- Support other exiles through mentorship and network-building

7 Digital Tools and Resources

Tool	Purpose
Tails OS	Anonymous operating system
Signal	Encrypted communication
ProtonMail	Secure email service
Brave + Tor	Private browsing and onion access
OnionShare	Secure file transfer without central servers

8 Policy Addendum: Russian Civilian Evacuation Visa

We propose an international “Civilian Evacuation Visa” modeled after Cold War-era defector programs. This would:

- Grant expedited asylum processing for Russian dissidents
- Establish humanitarian corridors and air bridges
- Offer state-funded relocation support and legal protection

Conclusion

#MissionRussianEscape is a peaceful, civilian initiative grounded in international law, cybersecurity, and humanitarian cooperation. It demands immediate support from global civil society and governments to ensure the dignity, freedom, and safety of vulnerable Russian populations facing repression.