

A man with short, dark hair, wearing a dark suit jacket, a white shirt, and a blue patterned tie, is looking directly at the camera. The background is a dark space scene with a glowing blue and green globe in the center. The text 'the Everything Else SHOW' is overlaid on the image. 'the' is in a small, white, lowercase font. 'Everything Else' is in a large, bold, yellow, sans-serif font. 'SHOW' is in a smaller, white, uppercase font to the right of 'Else'.

the  
**Everything Else**  
SHOW

**KONSTANTIN  
SAMOILOU**

1  
00:00:20,070 --> 00:00:17,670

[Music]

2  
00:00:22,870 --> 00:00:20,080

hello and happy new year welcome to the

3  
00:00:25,670 --> 00:00:22,880

show thank you for watching this is a

4  
00:00:27,269 --> 00:00:25,680

the everything else show uh for those of

5  
00:00:29,750 --> 00:00:27,279

you who have been

6  
00:00:32,790 --> 00:00:29,760

watching this channel for years i think

7  
00:00:33,750 --> 00:00:32,800

i ran that back in 2016 and bring it

8  
00:00:36,150 --> 00:00:33,760

back

9  
00:00:38,630 --> 00:00:36,160

but the only way you can catch this show

10  
00:00:41,350 --> 00:00:38,640

is on my youtube channel

11  
00:00:42,709 --> 00:00:41,360

and the topics that i'm going to be um

12  
00:00:44,229 --> 00:00:42,719

exploring

13  
00:00:45,750 --> 00:00:44,239

are things that i'm interested in it

14

00:00:48,150 --> 00:00:45,760

doesn't mean that you will have an

15

00:00:50,150 --> 00:00:48,160

interest in it but there'll be all kinds

16

00:00:52,069 --> 00:00:50,160

of topics that i just that kind of

17

00:00:54,150 --> 00:00:52,079

fascinate me and they're going to be

18

00:00:56,310 --> 00:00:54,160

coming up randomly so the only way that

19

00:00:58,709 --> 00:00:56,320

you're going to know when that's going

20

00:01:00,549 --> 00:00:58,719

to happen is if you subscribe to the

21

00:01:02,150 --> 00:01:00,559

show and you click the little bell

22

00:01:04,549 --> 00:01:02,160

notification that way it'll give you

23

00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:04,559

notifications when the shows are going

24

00:01:08,149 --> 00:01:06,240

live it's not going to be a podcast it's

25

00:01:09,030 --> 00:01:08,159

just going to be here on the youtube

26

00:01:11,350 --> 00:01:09,040

channel

27

00:01:13,590 --> 00:01:11,360

and they're not going to be two hours

28

00:01:15,429 --> 00:01:13,600

per se they could be a half hour they

29

00:01:17,510 --> 00:01:15,439

could be three hours i don't know

30

00:01:20,230 --> 00:01:17,520

however it goes is how long they're

31

00:01:23,990 --> 00:01:20,240

going to be today's guest constantine

32

00:01:25,910 --> 00:01:24,000

constantine semolo i met online when i

33

00:01:28,630 --> 00:01:25,920

wanted to find out what was going on in

34

00:01:30,870 --> 00:01:28,640

russia uh when kovitz started i just

35

00:01:33,030 --> 00:01:30,880

wanted to find out because it was really

36

00:01:35,670 --> 00:01:33,040

raging through there and he had quite

37

00:01:37,109 --> 00:01:35,680

about with it but anyway i got to know

38

00:01:39,270 --> 00:01:37,119

him a little bit

39

00:01:41,429 --> 00:01:39,280

he actually lived in maine my home state

40

00:01:44,069 --> 00:01:41,439

for nine well he lived in new england

41

00:01:46,710 --> 00:01:44,079

for nine years in the states uh learned

42

00:01:49,910 --> 00:01:46,720

english he speaks very good english and

43

00:01:50,789 --> 00:01:49,920

uh many of you that know me again from

44

00:01:54,469 --> 00:01:50,799

years

45

00:01:56,469 --> 00:01:54,479

of watching my shows on ufos uaps

46

00:01:57,910 --> 00:01:56,479

whatever you want to call them uh know

47

00:01:59,590 --> 00:01:57,920

that i've been to russia for several

48

00:02:02,950 --> 00:01:59,600

times uh

49

00:02:05,670 --> 00:02:02,960

four times indeed and you know i stayed

50

00:02:07,590 --> 00:02:05,680

up to two months at one time and i

51  
00:02:09,109 --> 00:02:07,600  
learned a russian cyrillic at that time

52  
00:02:10,790 --> 00:02:09,119  
so i could

53  
00:02:13,670 --> 00:02:10,800  
try to figure out things at grocery

54  
00:02:15,750 --> 00:02:13,680  
stores and signs and things like that uh

55  
00:02:18,150 --> 00:02:15,760  
well i didn't do any driving there i'm

56  
00:02:21,190 --> 00:02:18,160  
going to talk about that it is scary as

57  
00:02:22,470 --> 00:02:21,200  
heck uh they only seem to know in the

58  
00:02:25,190 --> 00:02:22,480  
area i was in

59  
00:02:26,790 --> 00:02:25,200  
which was novorossiysk uh it's across

60  
00:02:29,270 --> 00:02:26,800  
from turkey on the black sea it's

61  
00:02:32,790 --> 00:02:29,280  
beautiful area but the city itself no

62  
00:02:35,509 --> 00:02:32,800  
versus the driving there is horrendous

63  
00:02:38,790 --> 00:02:35,519

it's either full blast or full breaks

64

00:02:40,550 --> 00:02:38,800

and uh you get a a lot of whiplash uh

65

00:02:43,589 --> 00:02:40,560

riding in the back seat

66

00:02:44,390 --> 00:02:43,599

um the weather in novross is is kind of

67

00:02:47,030 --> 00:02:44,400

like

68

00:02:47,990 --> 00:02:47,040

well it's subtropic so it's uh people

69

00:02:50,070 --> 00:02:48,000

think of

70

00:02:51,750 --> 00:02:50,080

of russia as freezing cold all the time

71

00:02:53,750 --> 00:02:51,760

and that's where my guest is from but he

72

00:02:56,630 --> 00:02:53,760

does have a dacha which is a summer

73

00:02:59,509 --> 00:02:56,640

house i think he told me about 60 miles

74

00:03:02,550 --> 00:02:59,519

or something like that from nova sisk i

75

00:03:04,869 --> 00:03:02,560

may be wrong on that um so while i was

76

00:03:07,670 --> 00:03:04,879

there in nowhere assist

77

00:03:10,390 --> 00:03:07,680

um i couldn't find anyone to speak

78

00:03:12,710 --> 00:03:10,400

english only two people the whole time i

79

00:03:14,470 --> 00:03:12,720

was there and the four times i was there

80

00:03:16,470 --> 00:03:14,480

spoke english

81

00:03:18,390 --> 00:03:16,480

now when i went to moscow that was a

82

00:03:20,869 --> 00:03:18,400

different story

83

00:03:22,470 --> 00:03:20,879

so a lot of people just speak english

84

00:03:23,830 --> 00:03:22,480

there you can get around much easier

85

00:03:26,710 --> 00:03:23,840

there

86

00:03:29,589 --> 00:03:26,720

now our guest today he has to be careful

87

00:03:31,750 --> 00:03:29,599

about what how he responds to certain

88

00:03:33,910 --> 00:03:31,760

things i do not want to get him in

89

00:03:37,350 --> 00:03:33,920

trouble he may give himself a verbal

90

00:03:39,509 --> 00:03:37,360

disclosure uh before he talks about

91

00:03:41,509 --> 00:03:39,519

anything right in the very beginning uh

92

00:03:43,270 --> 00:03:41,519

now i found we're going to talk talk a

93

00:03:46,149 --> 00:03:43,280

little bit about corruption or quite a

94

00:03:49,830 --> 00:03:46,159

bit about corruption it fascinates me uh

95

00:03:50,869 --> 00:03:49,840

and and and why there is corruption in

96

00:03:54,229 --> 00:03:50,879

russia

97

00:03:56,789 --> 00:03:54,239

and um i found out firsthand bringing a

98

00:03:58,309 --> 00:03:56,799

pet bringing my dog i'm going to pull up

99

00:04:02,229 --> 00:03:58,319

a picture i have of my dog here

100

00:04:04,470 --> 00:04:02,239

somewhere bringing a dog to russia is

101

00:04:08,390 --> 00:04:04,480

is really tricky there's a little

102

00:04:10,550 --> 00:04:08,400

businka which means a small bead um

103

00:04:13,110 --> 00:04:10,560

uh in russian

104

00:04:15,190 --> 00:04:13,120

that uh i guess knows that for sure but

105

00:04:17,509 --> 00:04:15,200

anyways um

106

00:04:19,590 --> 00:04:17,519

when you're bringing a pet in you have

107

00:04:21,909 --> 00:04:19,600

to go through the usda and get a

108

00:04:23,270 --> 00:04:21,919

certificate aphis i think they call it

109

00:04:25,909 --> 00:04:23,280

and then you have to go visit the

110

00:04:27,990 --> 00:04:25,919

veterinary control at the

111

00:04:29,909 --> 00:04:28,000

well i landed in moscow at the moscow

112

00:04:33,430 --> 00:04:29,919

airport

113

00:04:36,230 --> 00:04:33,440

so uh of the four times i went

114

00:04:38,230 --> 00:04:36,240

uh the last person that i met the last

115

00:04:40,870 --> 00:04:38,240

veterinary control person

116

00:04:44,790 --> 00:04:40,880

was the only honest one

117

00:04:47,270 --> 00:04:44,800

that i met and he told me that he was

118

00:04:49,830 --> 00:04:47,280

working six days a week

119

00:04:52,710 --> 00:04:49,840

and that he made an equivalent of about

120

00:04:55,189 --> 00:04:52,720

three hundred dollars a month

121

00:04:57,830 --> 00:04:55,199

now you can understand why there's

122

00:04:58,710 --> 00:04:57,840

corruption it's a survival thing

123

00:04:59,749 --> 00:04:58,720

and

124

00:05:01,670 --> 00:04:59,759

uh

125

00:05:05,590 --> 00:05:01,680

the other people that

126

00:05:07,909 --> 00:05:05,600

the other controllers at moscow airport

127

00:05:10,150 --> 00:05:07,919

would say now i had a translator and

128

00:05:12,310 --> 00:05:10,160

they would say oh you are missing a

129

00:05:15,830 --> 00:05:12,320

document if you want to come into this

130

00:05:17,749 --> 00:05:15,840

country you have to have that document

131

00:05:19,189 --> 00:05:17,759

and then they slid a book

132

00:05:21,029 --> 00:05:19,199

across

133

00:05:21,909 --> 00:05:21,039

uh the table

134

00:05:24,469 --> 00:05:21,919

and

135

00:05:25,670 --> 00:05:24,479

what i had to do was take out money from

136

00:05:27,350 --> 00:05:25,680

my wallet

137

00:05:29,990 --> 00:05:27,360

and put it back in the book and then

138

00:05:32,390 --> 00:05:30,000

slide the book back over kind of figure

139

00:05:34,550 --> 00:05:32,400

that that out pretty quickly

140

00:05:37,590 --> 00:05:34,560

so if it wasn't enough money the book

141

00:05:40,710 --> 00:05:37,600

came back over for more money

142

00:05:41,590 --> 00:05:40,720

that's the only way i was able to get my

143

00:05:43,670 --> 00:05:41,600

dog

144

00:05:46,469 --> 00:05:43,680

in the country

145

00:05:49,270 --> 00:05:46,479

for three times out of four

146

00:05:52,870 --> 00:05:49,280

remarkably the last guy who admitted he

147

00:05:54,070 --> 00:05:52,880

was making 300 a month maybe he was new

148

00:05:56,629 --> 00:05:54,080

i'm not sure

149

00:05:59,909 --> 00:05:56,639

but uh remarkably

150

00:06:02,550 --> 00:05:59,919

um he told me the story and did not ask

151  
00:06:04,790 --> 00:06:02,560  
for any money right now i'm bringing in

152  
00:06:06,230 --> 00:06:04,800  
our guest he's a great guy and i hope

153  
00:06:07,670 --> 00:06:06,240  
you check out his channel if you have

154  
00:06:08,950 --> 00:06:07,680  
any interest in russia at all what

155  
00:06:11,029 --> 00:06:08,960  
things are like

156  
00:06:13,510 --> 00:06:11,039  
he knows what it's like both in america

157  
00:06:14,550 --> 00:06:13,520  
and russia and he's a great guy to talk

158  
00:06:15,990 --> 00:06:14,560  
to

159  
00:06:18,550 --> 00:06:16,000  
welcome

160  
00:06:20,790 --> 00:06:18,560  
hello martin hello everyone

161  
00:06:23,909 --> 00:06:20,800  
great to see you guys all uh merry

162  
00:06:26,390 --> 00:06:23,919  
christmas happy new year oh yes yes uh

163  
00:06:28,629 --> 00:06:26,400

so thank you so much for being willing

164

00:06:30,150 --> 00:06:28,639

to talk about this i know uh you know

165

00:06:32,309 --> 00:06:30,160

it's a little tricky for you to talk

166

00:06:34,870 --> 00:06:32,319

about certain things and you heard me

167

00:06:35,990 --> 00:06:34,880

discuss my you know coming into the

168

00:06:38,870 --> 00:06:36,000

country

169

00:06:42,469 --> 00:06:38,880

is that a typical thing for

170

00:06:44,870 --> 00:06:42,479

you know what's your take on that

171

00:06:46,390 --> 00:06:44,880

it's i would say it's pretty typical

172

00:06:49,510 --> 00:06:46,400

okay

173

00:06:52,469 --> 00:06:49,520

for you guys who don't really know what

174

00:06:55,589 --> 00:06:52,479

russia is really like it's it sounds

175

00:06:57,350 --> 00:06:55,599

shocking it sounds unusual but to us

176

00:07:00,390 --> 00:06:57,360

it's kind of normal

177

00:07:02,469 --> 00:07:00,400

you know we're kind of wired to to

178

00:07:04,150 --> 00:07:02,479

handle situations like that

179

00:07:05,990 --> 00:07:04,160

basically we have this language we

180

00:07:08,070 --> 00:07:06,000

understand each other with the officials

181

00:07:10,390 --> 00:07:08,080

with the police and things like that so

182

00:07:13,510 --> 00:07:10,400

we speak one language so to speak and

183

00:07:14,629 --> 00:07:13,520

you guys speak different languages

184

00:07:17,430 --> 00:07:14,639

right so

185

00:07:19,430 --> 00:07:17,440

yeah didn't didn't sound strange to me

186

00:07:21,749 --> 00:07:19,440

yeah yeah and

187

00:07:23,270 --> 00:07:21,759

the bottom line i mean

188

00:07:24,270 --> 00:07:23,280

someone wanted to know if that was vodka

189

00:07:26,550 --> 00:07:24,280

by the way

190

00:07:30,070 --> 00:07:26,560

[Laughter]

191

00:07:33,749 --> 00:07:30,080

it's green tea but green tea

192

00:07:36,550 --> 00:07:33,759

yeah so uh you know right off the bat

193

00:07:39,350 --> 00:07:36,560

would you say that a lot of what goes on

194

00:07:40,629 --> 00:07:39,360

is just due to the plane

195

00:07:42,870 --> 00:07:40,639

is it the poor

196

00:07:47,189 --> 00:07:42,880

i mean is it the economy why are people

197

00:07:51,189 --> 00:07:48,550

ah

198

00:07:53,350 --> 00:07:51,199

why are people paid so little

199

00:07:55,350 --> 00:07:53,360

you see martin that's going to be a very

200

00:07:56,830 --> 00:07:55,360

interesting conversation today and it's

201  
00:08:00,070 --> 00:07:56,840  
very deep

202  
00:08:02,309 --> 00:08:00,080  
uh the question you're asking is i have

203  
00:08:04,629 --> 00:08:02,319  
to take a couple steps back into russian

204  
00:08:05,510 --> 00:08:04,639  
history

205  
00:08:07,830 --> 00:08:05,520  
you see

206  
00:08:09,510 --> 00:08:07,840  
we live in absolutely different

207  
00:08:13,749 --> 00:08:09,520  
systems

208  
00:08:16,790 --> 00:08:13,759  
know what i mean

209  
00:08:18,869 --> 00:08:16,800  
you guys have capitalism and you have

210  
00:08:19,990 --> 00:08:18,879  
very minimalistic role of federal

211  
00:08:21,110 --> 00:08:20,000  
government

212  
00:08:23,909 --> 00:08:21,120  
basically

213  
00:08:26,950 --> 00:08:23,919

in plain words the federal government

214

00:08:29,749 --> 00:08:26,960

does not interfere much with

215

00:08:31,510 --> 00:08:29,759

your lives okay and

216

00:08:34,149 --> 00:08:31,520

to you federal government is something

217

00:08:36,630 --> 00:08:34,159

small some somewhere out there you don't

218

00:08:37,909 --> 00:08:36,640

even notice okay to us it's completely

219

00:08:41,430 --> 00:08:37,919

different

220

00:08:42,469 --> 00:08:41,440

the reason for our living in the country

221

00:08:44,630 --> 00:08:42,479

is that

222

00:08:47,670 --> 00:08:44,640

our federal government the state allows

223

00:08:49,110 --> 00:08:47,680

us to live here okay the strait controls

224

00:08:52,389 --> 00:08:49,120

everything

225

00:08:54,550 --> 00:08:52,399

this we live for the state not the state

226

00:08:56,630 --> 00:08:54,560

you know exists for us so you see that's

227

00:08:58,070 --> 00:08:56,640

that's the major difference

228

00:09:00,710 --> 00:08:58,080

and

229

00:09:08,150 --> 00:09:04,150

people who are employed

230

00:09:10,710 --> 00:09:08,160

uh at the russian um

231

00:09:14,550 --> 00:09:10,720

uh how do i say that institutions you

232

00:09:16,949 --> 00:09:14,560

know customs police kgb and so forth

233

00:09:19,350 --> 00:09:16,959

uh there's a like unspoken social

234

00:09:22,630 --> 00:09:19,360

contract with them

235

00:09:23,509 --> 00:09:22,640

between these people and the government

236

00:09:27,030 --> 00:09:23,519

this

237

00:09:28,790 --> 00:09:27,040

kind of so unspoken agreement

238

00:09:30,710 --> 00:09:28,800

they paid very little

239

00:09:32,389 --> 00:09:30,720

but they are given

240

00:09:35,030 --> 00:09:32,399

a lot of rights

241

00:09:36,949 --> 00:09:35,040

just like in your example okay you come

242

00:09:39,030 --> 00:09:36,959

into customs and you have a small dog

243

00:09:40,630 --> 00:09:39,040

you know and they have a right not to

244

00:09:43,190 --> 00:09:40,640

let you in

245

00:09:44,790 --> 00:09:43,200

and you know

246

00:09:46,710 --> 00:09:44,800

they do have right because it's in the

247

00:09:48,630 --> 00:09:46,720

code right but

248

00:09:50,870 --> 00:09:48,640

something can be worked out

249

00:09:53,430 --> 00:09:50,880

you know you slipped something in the

250

00:09:55,350 --> 00:09:53,440

passport or whatever and say a couple

251  
00:09:58,389 --> 00:09:55,360  
hundred bucks and that couple hundred

252  
00:10:00,870 --> 00:09:58,399  
bucks is split into like 15 parts

253  
00:10:02,710 --> 00:10:00,880  
and each part goes to different

254  
00:10:05,829 --> 00:10:02,720  
department different person

255  
00:10:09,750 --> 00:10:05,839  
you know 1 15 is kept by the person as

256  
00:10:13,430 --> 00:10:09,760  
his own cell like not salary but uh

257  
00:10:17,110 --> 00:10:13,440  
um bonus so to speak and the other parts

258  
00:10:20,230 --> 00:10:17,120  
go to his his superior superior of his

259  
00:10:22,310 --> 00:10:20,240  
superior to moscow you know to local kgb

260  
00:10:24,550 --> 00:10:22,320  
to local police to cover them and so

261  
00:10:27,910 --> 00:10:24,560  
forth you know i mean that's unspoken

262  
00:10:29,670 --> 00:10:27,920  
social contract so these people

263  
00:10:32,550 --> 00:10:29,680

make very little money

264

00:10:34,230 --> 00:10:32,560

but they make up everything from

265

00:10:35,269 --> 00:10:34,240

different sources you know

266

00:10:39,829 --> 00:10:35,279

that's

267

00:10:41,590 --> 00:10:39,839

and yes yes before i continue there's a

268

00:10:43,829 --> 00:10:41,600

disclaimer for the russian government to

269

00:10:44,630 --> 00:10:43,839

say if if anyone is listening to me you

270

00:10:47,430 --> 00:10:44,640

know

271

00:10:49,110 --> 00:10:47,440

i'm just telling you imaginative things

272

00:10:51,670 --> 00:10:49,120

of course russia is the great and they

273

00:10:53,190 --> 00:10:51,680

follow the party line you know hands

274

00:10:56,230 --> 00:10:53,200

down so

275

00:10:58,630 --> 00:10:56,240

in case kgp is listening so you guys

276

00:11:01,750 --> 00:10:58,640

what i'm telling you is uh just

277

00:11:03,910 --> 00:11:01,760

purely imaginable

278

00:11:06,230 --> 00:11:03,920

that's it i'm done with the disclaimer

279

00:11:07,990 --> 00:11:06,240

okay okay so

280

00:11:11,030 --> 00:11:08,000

um when you say

281

00:11:14,870 --> 00:11:11,040

it sounds like it rises up to the top

282

00:11:17,590 --> 00:11:14,880

um does it rise up to the top or

283

00:11:18,470 --> 00:11:17,600

just toward the top as far as

284

00:11:20,310 --> 00:11:18,480

the

285

00:11:22,150 --> 00:11:20,320

uh i don't know exactly what you would

286

00:11:25,110 --> 00:11:22,160

call it you know like there's the

287

00:11:26,389 --> 00:11:25,120

fragments of whatever is made

288

00:11:28,710 --> 00:11:26,399

from let's say

289

00:11:30,310 --> 00:11:28,720

a police department

290

00:11:32,550 --> 00:11:30,320

saying i'll tell you let me just tell a

291

00:11:34,069 --> 00:11:32,560

quick example here of what happened to

292

00:11:35,990 --> 00:11:34,079

me and i know you have

293

00:11:39,910 --> 00:11:36,000

uh many stories but

294

00:11:43,750 --> 00:11:39,920

i was riding in the back of a car and

295

00:11:44,550 --> 00:11:43,760

my friend's father was driving the car

296

00:11:45,750 --> 00:11:44,560

and

297

00:11:47,670 --> 00:11:45,760

one of these things they have in all

298

00:11:49,750 --> 00:11:47,680

these towns as you go through these

299

00:11:51,829 --> 00:11:49,760

these towns uh when you're on the side

300

00:11:54,230 --> 00:11:51,839

roads and things they have they'll have

301  
00:11:56,230 --> 00:11:54,240  
the police department sits out in front

302  
00:11:57,750 --> 00:11:56,240  
of the border of the town they have

303  
00:11:59,990 --> 00:11:57,760  
these little wands

304  
00:12:00,949 --> 00:12:00,000  
in their hands they have a little tassel

305  
00:12:02,470 --> 00:12:00,959  
on the end

306  
00:12:04,550 --> 00:12:02,480  
so if there's something that they don't

307  
00:12:06,550 --> 00:12:04,560  
like or whatever they wave you over with

308  
00:12:10,069 --> 00:12:06,560  
this little one thing

309  
00:12:11,030 --> 00:12:10,079  
and so we're driving driving along and

310  
00:12:13,910 --> 00:12:11,040  
um

311  
00:12:15,910 --> 00:12:13,920  
the guy driving the car like hesitated

312  
00:12:17,190 --> 00:12:15,920  
there was a a policeman right behind him

313  
00:12:18,870 --> 00:12:17,200

this has nothing to do with the wand

314

00:12:20,150 --> 00:12:18,880

waving but i mean i just i did want to

315

00:12:22,550 --> 00:12:20,160

point that out

316

00:12:24,629 --> 00:12:22,560

so he like hesitated instead of turning

317

00:12:26,389 --> 00:12:24,639

he got nervous because the cop was you

318

00:12:29,430 --> 00:12:26,399

know right behind him

319

00:12:31,030 --> 00:12:29,440

so he gets out of the car

320

00:12:32,310 --> 00:12:31,040

and uh

321

00:12:34,230 --> 00:12:32,320

they're talking to him in the back and

322

00:12:35,590 --> 00:12:34,240

there's all kinds of arguing going on

323

00:12:38,629 --> 00:12:35,600

and basically

324

00:12:40,230 --> 00:12:38,639

if you wanted your car and you wanted

325

00:12:42,069 --> 00:12:40,240

your license

326

00:12:43,590 --> 00:12:42,079

he had to come up with an equivalent at

327

00:12:46,790 --> 00:12:43,600

that time

328

00:12:48,949 --> 00:12:46,800

of 500 american dollars

329

00:12:51,350 --> 00:12:48,959

so he basically

330

00:12:52,870 --> 00:12:51,360

he negotiated with him now this is all

331

00:12:53,750 --> 00:12:52,880

second hand of course this is what he

332

00:12:55,910 --> 00:12:53,760

said

333

00:12:59,910 --> 00:12:55,920

so he nego and he isn't he's a he's an

334

00:13:01,590 --> 00:12:59,920

exaggerator but you know anyway up so

335

00:13:03,430 --> 00:13:01,600

going back and forth back and forth he

336

00:13:05,590 --> 00:13:03,440

finally said i'm an old man i don't have

337

00:13:07,910 --> 00:13:05,600

any money he basically walked out of

338

00:13:09,670 --> 00:13:07,920

there with with twenty dollars paying

339

00:13:11,750 --> 00:13:09,680

twenty dollars to keep his car and keep

340

00:13:13,910 --> 00:13:11,760

his license we got back in the car and i

341

00:13:15,430 --> 00:13:13,920

got really really angry

342

00:13:17,829 --> 00:13:15,440

and i said

343

00:13:19,430 --> 00:13:17,839

to my friend i said let's go right now

344

00:13:22,150 --> 00:13:19,440

to the police department this is total

345

00:13:25,269 --> 00:13:22,160

corruption i can't believe it

346

00:13:27,990 --> 00:13:25,279

and she started laughing she said no

347

00:13:29,190 --> 00:13:28,000

yeah no she said they're all in on it

348

00:13:29,990 --> 00:13:29,200

what do you think you're going to go

349

00:13:31,030 --> 00:13:30,000

there

350

00:13:32,150 --> 00:13:31,040

somewhere

351  
00:13:34,710 --> 00:13:32,160  
so

352  
00:13:36,870 --> 00:13:34,720  
yeah and and a little piece of that 20

353  
00:13:37,670 --> 00:13:36,880  
goes to those guys too

354  
00:13:44,870 --> 00:13:37,680  
yeah

355  
00:13:47,030 --> 00:13:44,880  
in let's just say the police department

356  
00:13:50,069 --> 00:13:47,040  
all right so that guy gets let's say he

357  
00:13:52,310 --> 00:13:50,079  
gets the hundred dollars

358  
00:13:54,949 --> 00:13:52,320  
and the person moves on no ticket issued

359  
00:13:57,189 --> 00:13:54,959  
or whatever it is they do there

360  
00:14:00,389 --> 00:13:57,199  
what what goes on now

361  
00:14:03,750 --> 00:14:00,399  
uh with that 100 bill

362  
00:14:05,670 --> 00:14:03,760  
well that hundred dollar bill again

363  
00:14:06,550 --> 00:14:05,680

what do i know i'm just a little guy you

364

00:14:09,590 --> 00:14:06,560

know

365

00:14:10,389 --> 00:14:09,600

but from what i heard from out of space

366

00:14:13,670 --> 00:14:10,399

you know

367

00:14:14,949 --> 00:14:13,680

uh that hundred dollar bill gets split

368

00:14:17,670 --> 00:14:14,959

okay

369

00:14:19,990 --> 00:14:17,680

um

370

00:14:21,829 --> 00:14:20,000

all hundred dollar bills okay they they

371

00:14:23,829 --> 00:14:21,839

get into uh one

372

00:14:26,470 --> 00:14:23,839

one uh

373

00:14:28,310 --> 00:14:26,480

purse i don't know wallet all right and

374

00:14:30,389 --> 00:14:28,320

at the end of the shift

375

00:14:33,110 --> 00:14:30,399

you know two guys in the patrol car they

376

00:14:35,590 --> 00:14:33,120

usually count how much they've made and

377

00:14:37,590 --> 00:14:35,600

they have a plan how much they should

378

00:14:39,110 --> 00:14:37,600

make okay so they come back to the

379

00:14:41,110 --> 00:14:39,120

police department i'm not sure how

380

00:14:42,629 --> 00:14:41,120

exactly it works up to the like every

381

00:14:44,949 --> 00:14:42,639

single action but

382

00:14:47,269 --> 00:14:44,959

they split that bunch

383

00:14:49,110 --> 00:14:47,279

into two parts

384

00:14:50,710 --> 00:14:49,120

one part a small one

385

00:14:52,629 --> 00:14:50,720

i don't know probably like twenty

386

00:14:55,189 --> 00:14:52,639

percent something that goes to them they

387

00:14:56,230 --> 00:14:55,199

gotta keep it that's their take

388

00:14:58,230 --> 00:14:56,240

and

389

00:14:59,430 --> 00:14:58,240

like a bigger part goes to their

390

00:15:02,550 --> 00:14:59,440

superior

391

00:15:04,470 --> 00:15:02,560

or the person in charge of the money

392

00:15:05,509 --> 00:15:04,480

you know these dealings in the police

393

00:15:08,470 --> 00:15:05,519

department

394

00:15:11,670 --> 00:15:08,480

and he has like he keeps

395

00:15:13,590 --> 00:15:11,680

he keeps records of everyone how much

396

00:15:15,670 --> 00:15:13,600

they bring in and stuff like that this

397

00:15:16,710 --> 00:15:15,680

you know it's just like um accountant

398

00:15:19,750 --> 00:15:16,720

basically

399

00:15:22,069 --> 00:15:19,760

and then uh that that bunch is split

400

00:15:25,430 --> 00:15:22,079

into different parts and you know like

401  
00:15:27,750 --> 00:15:25,440  
ten dollars go to let's say kgb

402  
00:15:31,910 --> 00:15:27,760  
five dollars go to state prosecution you

403  
00:15:34,470 --> 00:15:31,920  
know 10 15 20 goes to up to you know

404  
00:15:37,430 --> 00:15:34,480  
higher ups and uh to moscow some and

405  
00:15:39,350 --> 00:15:37,440  
stuff like that this is what i imagine

406  
00:15:41,110 --> 00:15:39,360  
that happens inside of a police

407  
00:15:44,389 --> 00:15:41,120  
department with that hundred dollars

408  
00:15:46,629 --> 00:15:44,399  
okay but let me tell you those guys

409  
00:15:49,590 --> 00:15:46,639  
who actually two hundred dollars their

410  
00:15:53,110 --> 00:15:49,600  
peons they don't have much to say

411  
00:15:54,470 --> 00:15:53,120  
and they are actually

412  
00:15:56,310 --> 00:15:54,480  
uh

413  
00:15:57,910 --> 00:15:56,320

how do i say that

414

00:16:00,470 --> 00:15:57,920

hostages

415

00:16:03,110 --> 00:16:00,480

because they are given a job with a

416

00:16:06,629 --> 00:16:03,120

condition to bring in certain certain

417

00:16:08,470 --> 00:16:06,639

amount okay if you don't you get fired

418

00:16:10,230 --> 00:16:08,480

and if you if you don't look they make

419

00:16:12,150 --> 00:16:10,240

you quit and if you don't quit they put

420

00:16:13,749 --> 00:16:12,160

you in jail they they frame you for

421

00:16:14,949 --> 00:16:13,759

something that's very common in the

422

00:16:16,230 --> 00:16:14,959

police

423

00:16:19,269 --> 00:16:16,240

um

424

00:16:22,629 --> 00:16:19,279

so they yeah go ahead go ahead

425

00:16:24,150 --> 00:16:22,639

so they they uh are told they said okay

426

00:16:26,310 --> 00:16:24,160

you're gonna work

427

00:16:28,150 --> 00:16:26,320

on this road in this car this is gonna

428

00:16:30,629 --> 00:16:28,160

be your territory but you have to must

429

00:16:33,030 --> 00:16:30,639

bring in a certain amount whatever you

430

00:16:35,430 --> 00:16:33,040

bring over it you can keep okay that's

431

00:16:36,629 --> 00:16:35,440

it but if you don't make enough take it

432

00:16:38,470 --> 00:16:36,639

out of your pocket

433

00:16:39,749 --> 00:16:38,480

so that's how it works

434

00:16:41,269 --> 00:16:39,759

and

435

00:16:43,110 --> 00:16:41,279

how does someone

436

00:16:45,590 --> 00:16:43,120

well it sounds to me like

437

00:16:49,590 --> 00:16:45,600

it as far as other things go other

438

00:16:53,110 --> 00:16:49,600

occupations go that possibly being

439

00:16:56,389 --> 00:16:53,120

being a policeman in russia is not a

440

00:16:59,269 --> 00:16:56,399

bad deal to make money is that do you ha

441

00:17:02,790 --> 00:16:59,279

is it hard to become a police officer

442

00:17:05,750 --> 00:17:02,800

uh it's really a very good position

443

00:17:07,669 --> 00:17:05,760

to be a patrol police officer in a

444

00:17:09,510 --> 00:17:07,679

patrol car deal because we have our

445

00:17:11,590 --> 00:17:09,520

police is different okay it's divided

446

00:17:13,029 --> 00:17:11,600

into divisions one division is

447

00:17:14,789 --> 00:17:13,039

responsible for

448

00:17:17,110 --> 00:17:14,799

operating on the roads

449

00:17:19,510 --> 00:17:17,120

another division is just like a regular

450

00:17:22,630 --> 00:17:19,520

police station you go like investigative

451  
00:17:24,870 --> 00:17:22,640  
department the you know

452  
00:17:26,069 --> 00:17:24,880  
detectives and things like that

453  
00:17:27,270 --> 00:17:26,079  
and it's

454  
00:17:32,950 --> 00:17:27,280  
very

455  
00:17:35,590 --> 00:17:32,960  
profitable to get into the division that

456  
00:17:38,470 --> 00:17:35,600  
is on the road controlling the traffic

457  
00:17:39,510 --> 00:17:38,480  
because that's all the money is

458  
00:17:41,510 --> 00:17:39,520  
um

459  
00:17:44,830 --> 00:17:41,520  
there are some positions in the police

460  
00:17:48,310 --> 00:17:44,840  
that do not bring any money that's uh

461  
00:17:50,870 --> 00:17:48,320  
like pawns on the ground

462  
00:17:52,710 --> 00:17:50,880  
that deal with petty crimes uh you know

463  
00:17:54,230 --> 00:17:52,720

when something happens to you like a

464

00:17:56,870 --> 00:17:54,240

burglary or something that you call

465

00:17:58,950 --> 00:17:56,880

police a police officer comes

466

00:18:01,350 --> 00:17:58,960

and those guys don't make much money

467

00:18:04,230 --> 00:18:01,360

because they have no leverage on you

468

00:18:06,150 --> 00:18:04,240

they are supposed to help you there are

469

00:18:08,549 --> 00:18:06,160

ways for them to make extra cash you

470

00:18:10,230 --> 00:18:08,559

know but it's not you know it's not the

471

00:18:11,669 --> 00:18:10,240

cash flow be cash flow you know what i

472

00:18:14,390 --> 00:18:11,679

mean

473

00:18:16,950 --> 00:18:14,400

so uh that's to answer your question

474

00:18:18,230 --> 00:18:16,960

yeah yeah thank you um i'll tell you

475

00:18:20,549 --> 00:18:18,240

another i mean i have a lot of

476

00:18:21,909 --> 00:18:20,559

situations and i just want to ask you

477

00:18:24,230 --> 00:18:21,919

you know about them

478

00:18:25,669 --> 00:18:24,240

and one of them is uh

479

00:18:27,430 --> 00:18:25,679

the same gentleman that was driving the

480

00:18:28,789 --> 00:18:27,440

car i was speaking about

481

00:18:29,909 --> 00:18:28,799

earlier

482

00:18:32,150 --> 00:18:29,919

uh

483

00:18:34,789 --> 00:18:32,160

what i wasn't there but this happened

484

00:18:36,710 --> 00:18:34,799

you know and he talked about it

485

00:18:38,630 --> 00:18:36,720

that his briefcase

486

00:18:41,750 --> 00:18:38,640

was stolen

487

00:18:43,830 --> 00:18:41,760

um he was at his garage with this car

488

00:18:45,590 --> 00:18:43,840

put his briefcase on the ground

489

00:18:46,789 --> 00:18:45,600

and it was stolen

490

00:18:47,590 --> 00:18:46,799

and

491

00:18:53,830 --> 00:18:47,600

he

492

00:18:55,750 --> 00:18:53,840

it not really monetary but very

493

00:18:57,750 --> 00:18:55,760

important papers for him

494

00:18:59,029 --> 00:18:57,760

in that and so he

495

00:19:01,909 --> 00:18:59,039

tried to get it back he called the

496

00:19:05,510 --> 00:19:01,919

police there was no they never showed up

497

00:19:07,990 --> 00:19:05,520

um so then he got a hold of um this is

498

00:19:09,510 --> 00:19:08,000

what he said the russian mafia he got a

499

00:19:12,470 --> 00:19:09,520

hold of the mafia

500

00:19:15,350 --> 00:19:12,480

and paid them a price and within one day

501  
00:19:18,950 --> 00:19:15,360  
that briefcase was back

502  
00:19:20,549 --> 00:19:18,960  
i believe that that's uh very common or

503  
00:19:22,470 --> 00:19:20,559  
they actually call you

504  
00:19:24,789 --> 00:19:22,480  
and they tell you listen we have your

505  
00:19:26,630 --> 00:19:24,799  
briefcase would you like to get it back

506  
00:19:28,789 --> 00:19:26,640  
and that's going to cost you this amount

507  
00:19:31,270 --> 00:19:28,799  
that happened to my uncle once

508  
00:19:32,630 --> 00:19:31,280  
he lost the wallet with the documents

509  
00:19:36,549 --> 00:19:32,640  
uh you know

510  
00:19:37,990 --> 00:19:36,559  
car car title and some documents and uh

511  
00:19:39,669 --> 00:19:38,000  
you know somebody called them up next

512  
00:19:41,430 --> 00:19:39,679  
day and said hey i found it would you

513  
00:19:44,070 --> 00:19:41,440

like to get it back

514

00:19:46,630 --> 00:19:44,080

they met he gave the money and that's it

515

00:19:48,150 --> 00:19:46,640

but the police they considered a petty

516

00:19:49,510 --> 00:19:48,160

crime and

517

00:19:51,830 --> 00:19:49,520

there's another problem with russian

518

00:19:55,750 --> 00:19:51,840

police

519

00:19:58,150 --> 00:19:55,760

fault you know the officer's fault but

520

00:20:03,430 --> 00:19:58,160

the system is

521

00:20:05,430 --> 00:20:03,440

uh it takes roots from the soviet union

522

00:20:06,870 --> 00:20:05,440

it's a score system

523

00:20:11,270 --> 00:20:06,880

i think that's the closest i can

524

00:20:15,990 --> 00:20:13,750

excuse me um

525

00:20:18,789 --> 00:20:16,000

for example like every crime that

526  
00:20:20,789 --> 00:20:18,799  
happens is reported and there's a

527  
00:20:24,390 --> 00:20:20,799  
criminal investigation

528  
00:20:25,590 --> 00:20:24,400  
and if that crime is solved the case is

529  
00:20:26,470 --> 00:20:25,600  
closed

530  
00:20:29,830 --> 00:20:26,480  
then

531  
00:20:31,510 --> 00:20:29,840  
you know you get like one point

532  
00:20:32,390 --> 00:20:31,520  
and then uh

533  
00:20:38,149 --> 00:20:32,400  
as

534  
00:20:40,630 --> 00:20:38,159  
a certain amount of points and the

535  
00:20:42,549 --> 00:20:40,640  
entire police station and then in the

536  
00:20:43,909 --> 00:20:42,559  
tight police department they also have

537  
00:20:46,390 --> 00:20:43,919  
to have points

538  
00:20:48,789 --> 00:20:46,400

because that's for good statistics

539

00:20:51,270 --> 00:20:48,799

to show to moscow okay where the head

540

00:20:54,789 --> 00:20:51,280

police department is

541

00:20:58,149 --> 00:20:54,799

and that was a fact in the past

542

00:20:59,750 --> 00:20:58,159

and um the police was slammed for using

543

00:21:02,549 --> 00:20:59,760

the score system

544

00:21:03,669 --> 00:21:02,559

many times and i think putin himself uh

545

00:21:06,310 --> 00:21:03,679

you know

546

00:21:08,390 --> 00:21:06,320

said oh you shouldn't do that and

547

00:21:10,710 --> 00:21:08,400

officially they gave up this scoring

548

00:21:12,549 --> 00:21:10,720

system but from what i heard the

549

00:21:14,310 --> 00:21:12,559

disclaimer that's i'm not saying that

550

00:21:16,549 --> 00:21:14,320

i've just heard that they're still using

551  
00:21:17,590 --> 00:21:16,559  
it in in a few minutes i'm gonna give

552  
00:21:18,390 --> 00:21:17,600  
you the

553  
00:21:19,909 --> 00:21:18,400  
the

554  
00:21:21,510 --> 00:21:19,919  
um well

555  
00:21:22,630 --> 00:21:21,520  
my take on that

556  
00:21:24,870 --> 00:21:22,640  
so

557  
00:21:27,190 --> 00:21:24,880  
you see if you call co-ops and you say

558  
00:21:29,430 --> 00:21:27,200  
hey listen something was stolen from me

559  
00:21:31,190 --> 00:21:29,440  
and they know they're not gonna find a

560  
00:21:33,510 --> 00:21:31,200  
person who stole

561  
00:21:35,669 --> 00:21:33,520  
then it looks bad on them because it

562  
00:21:38,950 --> 00:21:35,679  
worsens their statistics

563  
00:21:41,110 --> 00:21:38,960

okay so they will try to put you off as

564

00:21:43,830 --> 00:21:41,120

much as they can not show up but you

565

00:21:45,350 --> 00:21:43,840

call or show up like the next day or

566

00:21:47,909 --> 00:21:45,360

talk you out of

567

00:21:48,630 --> 00:21:47,919

not take your paper when you write down

568

00:22:04,230 --> 00:21:48,640

i

569

00:22:06,310 --> 00:22:04,240

happens and you need to

570

00:22:07,909 --> 00:22:06,320

you know you need police help

571

00:22:09,990 --> 00:22:07,919

then you can say guys

572

00:22:11,510 --> 00:22:10,000

please help me i'm going to be very

573

00:22:12,710 --> 00:22:11,520

thankful to you

574

00:22:14,149 --> 00:22:12,720

and they go

575

00:22:15,990 --> 00:22:14,159

okay

576

00:22:17,990 --> 00:22:16,000

and they really start working with you

577

00:22:20,870 --> 00:22:18,000

as they are supposed to

578

00:22:24,549 --> 00:22:22,789

this is things started happening you

579

00:22:27,110 --> 00:22:24,559

know what i mean that's one of the ways

580

00:22:29,590 --> 00:22:27,120

to make some extra bucks for him

581

00:22:32,390 --> 00:22:29,600

yeah but you know what honestly

582

00:22:35,110 --> 00:22:32,400

as a russian growing up in russia i mean

583

00:22:37,190 --> 00:22:35,120

i don't i don't like russian police

584

00:22:41,990 --> 00:22:37,200

and

585

00:22:43,430 --> 00:22:42,000

never been are like

586

00:22:45,909 --> 00:22:43,440

here to help

587

00:22:48,070 --> 00:22:45,919

support and protect us but rather

588

00:22:51,029 --> 00:22:48,080

they're protecting the government okay

589

00:22:51,830 --> 00:22:51,039

and a lot of russians don't like them

590

00:22:55,990 --> 00:22:51,840

and

591

00:22:57,909 --> 00:22:56,000

he was teaching me i was like five years

592

00:22:59,430 --> 00:22:57,919

old and he was teaching me he was listen

593

00:23:01,750 --> 00:22:59,440

if you walk on the street and they see a

594

00:23:04,230 --> 00:23:01,760

police policeman police officer coming

595

00:23:06,390 --> 00:23:04,240

to your way stop turn around cross the

596

00:23:08,870 --> 00:23:06,400

street and go on the other side of the

597

00:23:10,149 --> 00:23:08,880

street okay

598

00:23:11,430 --> 00:23:10,159

but

599

00:23:13,990 --> 00:23:11,440

i like

600

00:23:17,270 --> 00:23:14,000

i have to be honest with you i have not

601  
00:23:19,909 --> 00:23:17,280  
run into major problems with the police

602  
00:23:22,390 --> 00:23:19,919  
i've been driving a car since i was 18

603  
00:23:23,669 --> 00:23:22,400  
and i've had so many situations on the

604  
00:23:26,789 --> 00:23:23,679  
road

605  
00:23:29,590 --> 00:23:26,799  
but there were only two instances where

606  
00:23:31,590 --> 00:23:29,600  
police officers pulled me over and were

607  
00:23:33,270 --> 00:23:31,600  
trying to extort money without any

608  
00:23:35,830 --> 00:23:33,280  
reason okay

609  
00:23:38,149 --> 00:23:35,840  
and it was actually funny i blew them

610  
00:23:39,029 --> 00:23:38,159  
off like you made it a joke

611  
00:23:41,430 --> 00:23:39,039  
but

612  
00:23:42,710 --> 00:23:41,440  
like every time they would pull me over

613  
00:23:44,710 --> 00:23:42,720

for a reason

614

00:23:45,750 --> 00:23:44,720

i'd break the rules and

615

00:23:48,230 --> 00:23:45,760

uh

616

00:23:50,230 --> 00:23:48,240

it was not like oh you know what

617

00:23:51,590 --> 00:23:50,240

you're clean but if you don't give us

618

00:23:54,230 --> 00:23:51,600

money we're gonna take your car we're

619

00:23:56,390 --> 00:23:54,240

gonna put you to jail never okay

620

00:23:57,350 --> 00:23:56,400

um they they could say

621

00:24:00,230 --> 00:23:57,360

listen

622

00:24:01,750 --> 00:24:00,240

you brought this rule you did and i i i

623

00:24:03,269 --> 00:24:01,760

would you know what i mean

624

00:24:05,029 --> 00:24:03,279

and

625

00:24:06,870 --> 00:24:05,039

sometimes most of the times now they

626

00:24:08,070 --> 00:24:06,880

have evidence because they have commerce

627

00:24:12,310 --> 00:24:08,080

in their cars

628

00:24:14,870 --> 00:24:12,320

and they would say uh well we can

629

00:24:17,110 --> 00:24:14,880

go the official way or we can come up

630

00:24:20,710 --> 00:24:17,120

with something you know things like that

631

00:24:23,669 --> 00:24:20,720

but there were always a reason behind

632

00:24:25,350 --> 00:24:23,679

this negotiation it was always my fault

633

00:24:27,510 --> 00:24:25,360

so coming back to the guy you were

634

00:24:30,230 --> 00:24:27,520

talking about in the car who gave who

635

00:24:32,149 --> 00:24:30,240

was asked 500 bucks and ended up with

636

00:24:35,350 --> 00:24:32,159

getting away with 20

637

00:24:38,390 --> 00:24:35,360

there must have been a reason

638

00:24:40,870 --> 00:24:38,400

for them to stop him and well it doesn't

639

00:24:44,070 --> 00:24:40,880

have to be a reason for them to stop but

640

00:24:45,909 --> 00:24:44,080

it's like a regular check okay

641

00:24:47,750 --> 00:24:45,919

once they find something on you for

642

00:24:50,310 --> 00:24:47,760

example you drive in a car without a

643

00:24:53,190 --> 00:24:50,320

driver's license ho ho

644

00:24:56,230 --> 00:24:53,200

you are our client that's what they say

645

00:24:58,630 --> 00:24:56,240

uh or you driving a car without

646

00:25:00,149 --> 00:24:58,640

not registered or without sticker or

647

00:25:02,470 --> 00:25:00,159

something like that you know what i mean

648

00:25:04,630 --> 00:25:02,480

so there must be a reason or you are

649

00:25:06,149 --> 00:25:04,640

wanted by police like

650

00:25:08,950 --> 00:25:06,159

nationwide you committed a crime

651  
00:25:11,029 --> 00:25:08,960  
somewhere else things like that okay

652  
00:25:14,310 --> 00:25:11,039  
and another thing i'd like to

653  
00:25:16,549 --> 00:25:14,320  
stress that in moscow police is very

654  
00:25:19,110 --> 00:25:16,559  
different in moscow they get much more

655  
00:25:22,070 --> 00:25:19,120  
money their salary is much higher

656  
00:25:23,990 --> 00:25:22,080  
and everything is controlled here

657  
00:25:25,830 --> 00:25:24,000  
uh meaning everything is recorded

658  
00:25:28,310 --> 00:25:25,840  
cameras everywhere microphones

659  
00:25:29,430 --> 00:25:28,320  
everywhere and it's much more difficult

660  
00:25:31,029 --> 00:25:29,440  
to them

661  
00:25:33,909 --> 00:25:31,039  
to

662  
00:25:36,390 --> 00:25:33,919  
do something shady and uh

663  
00:25:38,070 --> 00:25:36,400

so i would say moscow is very different

664

00:25:41,110 --> 00:25:38,080

from the rest of russia the rest of

665

00:25:44,149 --> 00:25:41,120

russia oh my god it's jungle out there

666

00:25:47,110 --> 00:25:44,159

yeah yeah i was uh

667

00:25:48,149 --> 00:25:47,120

well getting back to to that particular

668

00:25:50,710 --> 00:25:48,159

incident

669

00:25:53,350 --> 00:25:50,720

what he had done was the the

670

00:25:55,190 --> 00:25:53,360

police was right behind him really close

671

00:25:57,750 --> 00:25:55,200

and he pulled over without using his

672

00:26:00,549 --> 00:25:57,760

blinker that's the only thing that i i

673

00:26:01,510 --> 00:26:00,559

think he said that's what the issue was

674

00:26:08,549 --> 00:26:01,520

no

675

00:26:10,390 --> 00:26:08,559

very serious offense

676

00:26:12,230 --> 00:26:10,400

in moscow price tag

677

00:26:14,710 --> 00:26:12,240

uh price tag is different in moscow

678

00:26:17,830 --> 00:26:14,720

everything is ten times more expensive

679

00:26:21,350 --> 00:26:17,840

yeah if you deal with the police but in

680

00:26:24,230 --> 00:26:21,360

in the province in nawarasi's krasnodars

681

00:26:27,430 --> 00:26:24,240

uh much much cheaper so it's a very

682

00:26:29,029 --> 00:26:27,440

serious offense like he was probably

683

00:26:31,990 --> 00:26:29,039

you know driving

684

00:26:33,990 --> 00:26:32,000

drunk or he had a few drinks but i as i

685

00:26:34,630 --> 00:26:34,000

mentioned when i talked about the story

686

00:26:39,430 --> 00:26:34,640

is

687

00:26:41,590 --> 00:26:39,440

a great exaggerator

688

00:26:43,430 --> 00:26:41,600

so it could have been

689

00:26:45,830 --> 00:26:43,440

it could have been a hundred dollars it

690

00:26:49,269 --> 00:26:45,840

could have been fifty dollars and he but

691

00:26:50,789 --> 00:26:49,279

um i i never really knew anytime i heard

692

00:26:52,710 --> 00:26:50,799

a story from him

693

00:26:54,549 --> 00:26:52,720

as it was translated to me it was like

694

00:26:57,750 --> 00:26:54,559

hmm you know things were often

695

00:27:01,830 --> 00:26:57,760

exaggerated so i will i won't hold any

696

00:27:03,750 --> 00:27:01,840

credence to the the price being 500 but

697

00:27:04,789 --> 00:27:03,760

but the whole thing did really really

698

00:27:07,590 --> 00:27:04,799

did

699

00:27:09,830 --> 00:27:07,600

upset me at the time and you know here's

700

00:27:13,430 --> 00:27:09,840

another question i have for you

701  
00:27:16,630 --> 00:27:13,440  
he only had american cash he was using

702  
00:27:18,070 --> 00:27:16,640  
american cash i never saw him use too

703  
00:27:19,510 --> 00:27:18,080  
much russian

704  
00:27:21,830 --> 00:27:19,520  
money when it came to especially when it

705  
00:27:23,669 --> 00:27:21,840  
came to purchases like a car i went with

706  
00:27:25,430 --> 00:27:23,679  
him one time and he bought a car and he

707  
00:27:26,630 --> 00:27:25,440  
had all-american

708  
00:27:28,950 --> 00:27:26,640  
cash

709  
00:27:31,430 --> 00:27:28,960  
um is that something pretty common that

710  
00:27:32,789 --> 00:27:31,440  
russians use american cash

711  
00:27:37,190 --> 00:27:32,799  
where was that

712  
00:27:40,789 --> 00:27:38,789  
uh yeah that's

713  
00:27:43,430 --> 00:27:40,799

i see uh one of the comments that

714

00:27:45,990 --> 00:27:43,440

russian uh cryptocurrency crypto ruble

715

00:27:49,830 --> 00:27:46,000

is american dollar yeah

716

00:27:52,230 --> 00:27:49,840

uh very common you see

717

00:27:55,830 --> 00:27:52,240

when i when i moved back to russia back

718

00:27:59,190 --> 00:27:58,070

i was so shocked because

719

00:28:02,549 --> 00:27:59,200

dollar

720

00:28:04,149 --> 00:28:02,559

was uh in operation as much as ruble

721

00:28:09,190 --> 00:28:04,159

people at the time

722

00:28:12,630 --> 00:28:09,200

did not trust ruble because back in 1998

723

00:28:14,470 --> 00:28:12,640

the ruble devalued 400

724

00:28:17,830 --> 00:28:14,480

meaning you had like

725

00:28:20,070 --> 00:28:17,840

this amount in rubles that was worth 100

726

00:28:21,909 --> 00:28:20,080

and you woke up next day next morning

727

00:28:23,669 --> 00:28:21,919

and you had 25

728

00:28:26,950 --> 00:28:23,679

yeah like same amount of rubles but

729

00:28:28,470 --> 00:28:26,960

worth 25 dollars yes

730

00:28:29,990 --> 00:28:28,480

i talked to a lot of people that went

731

00:28:31,430 --> 00:28:30,000

through that and lost their whole life

732

00:28:33,990 --> 00:28:31,440

savings

733

00:28:36,230 --> 00:28:34,000

yes a lot of people lost tons of money

734

00:28:40,630 --> 00:28:36,240

you know four or five times imagine you

735

00:28:43,590 --> 00:28:40,640

just you have 500 bucks you wake up

736

00:28:46,630 --> 00:28:43,600

then a lot of people um

737

00:28:49,510 --> 00:28:46,640

they didn't trust rubles and

738

00:28:50,710 --> 00:28:49,520

dollar was free to buy and sell and

739

00:28:52,149 --> 00:28:50,720

operate

740

00:28:54,870 --> 00:28:52,159

and

741

00:28:56,830 --> 00:28:54,880

they use dollars a lot they still do as

742

00:28:58,789 --> 00:28:56,840

a means of protecting

743

00:29:02,230 --> 00:28:58,799

uh

744

00:29:04,710 --> 00:29:02,240

protecting well their savings

745

00:29:07,269 --> 00:29:04,720

it's like extra security but you see

746

00:29:09,350 --> 00:29:07,279

ruble hasn't been devalued in

747

00:29:10,950 --> 00:29:09,360

20 plus years

748

00:29:13,750 --> 00:29:10,960

and um

749

00:29:16,230 --> 00:29:13,760

the fate of dollar is unclear in my eyes

750

00:29:18,710 --> 00:29:16,240

right now i think the dollar will be

751

00:29:20,230 --> 00:29:18,720

devaluing like going through big

752

00:29:22,950 --> 00:29:20,240

inflation in the united states and it's

753

00:29:25,750 --> 00:29:22,960

going to be devalued quite a bit soon

754

00:29:27,830 --> 00:29:25,760

um but people still do that they still

755

00:29:30,549 --> 00:29:27,840

have

756

00:29:33,110 --> 00:29:30,559

amounts of dollars when they buy

757

00:29:35,830 --> 00:29:33,120

apartments big purchases cars

758

00:29:38,549 --> 00:29:35,840

but you cannot pay with dollars at

759

00:29:40,149 --> 00:29:38,559

stores at coffee shops for services and

760

00:29:42,070 --> 00:29:40,159

stuff like that you used to be able to

761

00:29:46,310 --> 00:29:42,080

do that but not anymore i think they

762

00:29:48,549 --> 00:29:46,320

made a law in 2005 that banned using

763

00:29:50,789 --> 00:29:48,559

like taking dollar as the mean of

764

00:29:52,950 --> 00:29:50,799

payment

765

00:29:54,710 --> 00:29:52,960

i think if you go if you go to like

766

00:29:56,470 --> 00:29:54,720

official store but unofficially of

767

00:29:58,389 --> 00:29:56,480

course you can you know you can pay with

768

00:29:59,350 --> 00:29:58,399

dollars

769

00:30:03,350 --> 00:29:59,360

when you're

770

00:30:05,110 --> 00:30:03,360

uh i i when i was there the last time

771

00:30:08,870 --> 00:30:05,120

uh when i was there for two months

772

00:30:11,990 --> 00:30:08,880

straight i wanted to rent a car

773

00:30:14,549 --> 00:30:12,000

and travel to belarus or something like

774

00:30:16,630 --> 00:30:14,559

that you know just to just to travel and

775

00:30:18,230 --> 00:30:16,640

to check it out on my own and i was

776

00:30:19,909 --> 00:30:18,240

warned by

777

00:30:21,990 --> 00:30:19,919

my friend there that said you don't want

778

00:30:24,870 --> 00:30:22,000

to do that you're going to get pulled

779

00:30:27,750 --> 00:30:24,880

over they'll spot you from a mile away

780

00:30:31,269 --> 00:30:27,760

like you're a tourist and you can get in

781

00:30:33,350 --> 00:30:31,279

all kinds of trouble and uh and

782

00:30:35,830 --> 00:30:33,360

and she also said that there's

783

00:30:38,149 --> 00:30:35,840

um us i don't know exactly what the term

784

00:30:40,149 --> 00:30:38,159

of it but there's like road pirates

785

00:30:41,350 --> 00:30:40,159

that will pull you over in the middle of

786

00:30:44,070 --> 00:30:41,360

nowhere

787

00:30:46,470 --> 00:30:44,080

is that really something to worry about

788

00:30:48,470 --> 00:30:46,480

yeah it's like those weird guys

789

00:30:50,549 --> 00:30:48,480

uh straight out of moving mad max you

790

00:30:52,130 --> 00:30:50,559

know roman russian roads everywhere and

791

00:30:54,310 --> 00:30:52,140

the scars

792

00:30:56,070 --> 00:30:54,320

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793

00:30:58,310 --> 00:30:56,080

immediately they will drink you out and

794

00:31:00,789 --> 00:30:58,320

make their slave you know they have this

795

00:31:02,870 --> 00:31:00,799

special encampment for americans who

796

00:31:05,909 --> 00:31:02,880

they catch on the roads and bring his

797

00:31:10,630 --> 00:31:08,710

no this is this is this is very strange

798

00:31:12,789 --> 00:31:10,640

uh i've never heard anything like that

799

00:31:14,789 --> 00:31:12,799

your friend could have been joking you

800

00:31:15,590 --> 00:31:14,799

see in russia yeah

801  
00:31:17,750 --> 00:31:15,600  
yeah

802  
00:31:19,509 --> 00:31:17,760  
or just didn't want me to didn't want me

803  
00:31:22,230 --> 00:31:19,519  
to have the freedom that's probably what

804  
00:31:25,029 --> 00:31:22,240  
it was yes yes in russia we have a

805  
00:31:27,110 --> 00:31:25,039  
saying you see this tea is not hot okay

806  
00:31:29,590 --> 00:31:27,120  
it's it's been sitting here for like

807  
00:31:31,509 --> 00:31:29,600  
half an hour it's warm lukewarm

808  
00:31:34,310 --> 00:31:31,519  
but in russia

809  
00:31:37,750 --> 00:31:34,320  
they say oh you've been so extra careful

810  
00:31:39,590 --> 00:31:37,760  
that you blowing on cold water

811  
00:31:41,669 --> 00:31:39,600  
you know just to make

812  
00:31:44,230 --> 00:31:41,679  
like make sure that this water is not

813  
00:31:47,190 --> 00:31:44,240

hot you know what i mean so yeah if that

814

00:31:49,750 --> 00:31:47,200

person was serious then she or he was

815

00:31:53,509 --> 00:31:49,760

blowing over cold water

816

00:31:54,710 --> 00:31:53,519

uh meaning being extra paranoid

817

00:31:56,470 --> 00:31:54,720

and

818

00:31:59,509 --> 00:31:56,480

perhaps there was another reason

819

00:32:01,830 --> 00:31:59,519

although i must notice that mention that

820

00:32:04,789 --> 00:32:01,840

uh things like that did happen in the

821

00:32:07,029 --> 00:32:04,799

90s when mafia was rampant

822

00:32:08,310 --> 00:32:07,039

there was business you would go to

823

00:32:10,630 --> 00:32:08,320

belarus

824

00:32:13,190 --> 00:32:10,640

russia and buy a car because cars cost

825

00:32:17,389 --> 00:32:13,200

there twice as little okay and you will

826

00:32:19,509 --> 00:32:17,399

drive it to russia then in like 1993

827

00:32:21,509 --> 00:32:19,519

1994 you know

828

00:32:23,750 --> 00:32:21,519

uh they would pull you over and they

829

00:32:25,669 --> 00:32:23,760

will just clean whatever cash you had

830

00:32:26,549 --> 00:32:25,679

they would take it and perhaps they

831

00:32:32,149 --> 00:32:26,559

couldn't

832

00:32:33,190 --> 00:32:32,159

but those i mean it was like over 20

833

00:32:37,509 --> 00:32:33,200

years ago

834

00:32:40,710 --> 00:32:37,519

absolutely safe

835

00:32:43,590 --> 00:32:40,720

i traveled to belarus by car i traveled

836

00:32:47,110 --> 00:32:43,600

i regularly from

837

00:32:49,750 --> 00:32:47,120

moscow to rostov where my second home is

838

00:32:52,070 --> 00:32:49,760

uh it's not in krasnodarski cry not near

839

00:32:54,870 --> 00:32:52,080

nowhere east it's about

840

00:32:57,830 --> 00:32:54,880

four hour drive from now receive okay

841

00:33:02,470 --> 00:32:57,840

it's it's rust off not grassland

842

00:33:03,350 --> 00:33:02,480

um i drove to saint petersburg to

843

00:33:06,789 --> 00:33:03,360

where

844

00:33:09,750 --> 00:33:06,799

all over russia oh i drove i drove um

845

00:33:12,149 --> 00:33:09,760

to georgia the country of georgia

846

00:33:14,149 --> 00:33:12,159

back into 2015

847

00:33:17,669 --> 00:33:14,159

and

848

00:33:19,750 --> 00:33:17,679

the only problem that i get is

849

00:33:23,669 --> 00:33:19,760

gasoline is too expensive

850

00:33:27,909 --> 00:33:26,789

so let's talk about what happened

851  
00:33:30,789 --> 00:33:27,919  
in

852  
00:33:34,870 --> 00:33:30,799  
what was it like prior to 1991 and then

853  
00:33:37,669 --> 00:33:34,880  
1991 when the soviet union basically

854  
00:33:39,990 --> 00:33:37,679  
fell or whatever you want to call it uh

855  
00:33:41,350 --> 00:33:40,000  
what were the i know there was a big

856  
00:33:43,590 --> 00:33:41,360  
adjustment

857  
00:33:45,190 --> 00:33:43,600  
and uh my friend's father was involved

858  
00:33:46,710 --> 00:33:45,200  
in the communist party

859  
00:33:49,029 --> 00:33:46,720  
life was really good and then all of a

860  
00:33:50,789 --> 00:33:49,039  
sudden life changed so what was that

861  
00:33:52,389 --> 00:33:50,799  
like how old were you then do you

862  
00:33:55,029 --> 00:33:52,399  
remember that happening

863  
00:33:57,110 --> 00:33:55,039

martin i actually made a video about

864

00:33:59,430 --> 00:33:57,120

that i have not uploaded because i

865

00:34:01,350 --> 00:33:59,440

wanted to redo that again i'm not

866

00:34:04,389 --> 00:34:01,360

satisfied with the result but i remember

867

00:34:05,350 --> 00:34:04,399

it's so clear as it was yesterday

868

00:34:07,110 --> 00:34:05,360

uh

869

00:34:09,270 --> 00:34:07,120

you see i i hear a lot of people

870

00:34:11,349 --> 00:34:09,280

complaining about oh we're going through

871

00:34:13,109 --> 00:34:11,359

such change in russia and the united

872

00:34:14,950 --> 00:34:13,119

states the entire world is growing

873

00:34:17,270 --> 00:34:14,960

through change well i tell you what you

874

00:34:18,550 --> 00:34:17,280

guys have not since you have not seen

875

00:34:21,909 --> 00:34:18,560

change

876

00:34:23,990 --> 00:34:21,919

we have seen in the soviet union when

877

00:34:26,790 --> 00:34:24,000

you you you live in one country you wake

878

00:34:28,069 --> 00:34:26,800

up and the next morning literally the

879

00:34:30,149 --> 00:34:28,079

three days

880

00:34:32,149 --> 00:34:30,159

you know next morning

881

00:34:34,629 --> 00:34:32,159

everything that you had believed in

882

00:34:36,869 --> 00:34:34,639

everything you you had thought was

883

00:34:39,349 --> 00:34:36,879

right turns out to be

884

00:34:40,389 --> 00:34:39,359

fake and wrong and then

885

00:34:42,550 --> 00:34:40,399

just

886

00:34:45,669 --> 00:34:42,560

hell breaks loose okay

887

00:34:48,310 --> 00:34:45,679

uh the entire system was like broken in

888

00:34:51,589 --> 00:34:48,320

this complete chaos everywhere and

889

00:34:54,069 --> 00:34:51,599

there's new people running your country

890

00:34:55,270 --> 00:34:54,079

and that was crazy it was absolutely

891

00:34:57,109 --> 00:34:55,280

insane

892

00:34:58,310 --> 00:34:57,119

i do not believe well

893

00:35:05,270 --> 00:34:58,320

i

894

00:35:06,790 --> 00:35:05,280

was

895

00:35:08,390 --> 00:35:06,800

not so good

896

00:35:11,270 --> 00:35:08,400

so i don't know what your reality was

897

00:35:14,150 --> 00:35:11,280

saying perhaps he was a higher up in the

898

00:35:14,950 --> 00:35:14,160

communist party for them life was better

899

00:35:16,390 --> 00:35:14,960

but

900

00:35:19,349 --> 00:35:16,400

for regular folks

901  
00:35:21,270 --> 00:35:19,359  
life was not good actually the result of

902  
00:35:23,349 --> 00:35:21,280  
life not being good was the breakup of

903  
00:35:25,430 --> 00:35:23,359  
soviet union people couldn't stand it

904  
00:35:26,790 --> 00:35:25,440  
anymore okay

905  
00:35:28,470 --> 00:35:26,800  
literally we have we're having

906  
00:35:29,510 --> 00:35:28,480  
breadlines

907  
00:35:32,550 --> 00:35:29,520  
you know

908  
00:35:34,150 --> 00:35:32,560  
so i remember clearly

909  
00:35:36,790 --> 00:35:34,160  
wow well

910  
00:35:38,550 --> 00:35:36,800  
yeah um yeah i i have talked to

911  
00:35:40,710 --> 00:35:38,560  
the one person that i met that was a

912  
00:35:43,190 --> 00:35:40,720  
local she was a tennis player

913  
00:35:45,349 --> 00:35:43,200

and she said that she really liked the

914

00:35:46,470 --> 00:35:45,359

change when it happened um now i know

915

00:35:48,470 --> 00:35:46,480

there's

916

00:35:50,710 --> 00:35:48,480

the one thing that

917

00:35:53,349 --> 00:35:50,720

changed that was not so good is there

918

00:35:55,190 --> 00:35:53,359

used to be really good food regulation

919

00:35:56,470 --> 00:35:55,200

and that the regulations kind of went

920

00:36:00,950 --> 00:35:56,480

out the window

921

00:36:05,349 --> 00:36:03,349

that's a popular belief

922

00:36:08,470 --> 00:36:05,359

and i don't know

923

00:36:09,349 --> 00:36:08,480

because there are two opinions okay i'm

924

00:36:12,550 --> 00:36:09,359

not

925

00:36:15,109 --> 00:36:12,560

that topic

926  
00:36:16,310 --> 00:36:15,119  
um some people are saying exactly what

927  
00:36:18,230 --> 00:36:16,320  
you just said

928  
00:36:20,150 --> 00:36:18,240  
that

929  
00:36:21,349 --> 00:36:20,160  
in russia the regulations the the

930  
00:36:25,750 --> 00:36:21,359  
standards

931  
00:36:26,870 --> 00:36:25,760  
of for food production is called ghost

932  
00:36:28,550 --> 00:36:26,880  
okay

933  
00:36:31,750 --> 00:36:28,560  
uh and

934  
00:36:34,069 --> 00:36:31,760  
the ghosts in soviet union and they were

935  
00:36:38,870 --> 00:36:34,079  
ghosts well there are ghosts here in

936  
00:36:45,910 --> 00:36:42,950  
from another another opinion uh it's not

937  
00:36:47,910 --> 00:36:45,920  
so popular as the first one

938  
00:36:51,109 --> 00:36:47,920

another opinion

939

00:36:56,390 --> 00:36:54,230

all these additives okay all that

940

00:36:58,630 --> 00:36:56,400

chemicals that

941

00:37:00,950 --> 00:36:58,640

they started adding into food

942

00:37:04,150 --> 00:37:00,960

were created and researched in this in

943

00:37:05,270 --> 00:37:04,160

the ussr in the 70s because the ussr

944

00:37:07,990 --> 00:37:05,280

faced

945

00:37:09,670 --> 00:37:08,000

started facing food shortages in the

946

00:37:11,190 --> 00:37:09,680

late 70s

947

00:37:14,230 --> 00:37:11,200

so to make

948

00:37:17,510 --> 00:37:14,240

food stretch they started coming up with

949

00:37:19,829 --> 00:37:17,520

the ways to add something into food

950

00:37:22,870 --> 00:37:19,839

you know to create more volume for

951  
00:37:25,030 --> 00:37:22,880  
example i know that for fact that you

952  
00:37:26,550 --> 00:37:25,040  
know the baloney

953  
00:37:29,670 --> 00:37:26,560  
the sausage

954  
00:37:33,190 --> 00:37:29,680  
okay in the ussr they came out with a

955  
00:37:36,630 --> 00:37:33,200  
technology they would put toilet paper

956  
00:37:38,310 --> 00:37:36,640  
pulp paper into bologna that would

957  
00:37:41,910 --> 00:37:38,320  
make more volume

958  
00:37:44,870 --> 00:37:41,920  
same thing as hot dogs hot dogs 100

959  
00:37:46,230 --> 00:37:44,880  
that's true okay and it was written in

960  
00:37:47,270 --> 00:37:46,240  
the standard

961  
00:37:49,750 --> 00:37:47,280  
okay

962  
00:37:50,390 --> 00:37:49,760  
um then they started putting additives

963  
00:37:57,910 --> 00:37:50,400

to

964

00:37:58,630 --> 00:37:57,920

but

965

00:38:07,430 --> 00:37:58,640

so

966

00:38:10,790 --> 00:38:09,589

whoops we seem to have a frozen screen

967

00:38:13,589 --> 00:38:10,800

here

968

00:38:15,030 --> 00:38:13,599

i'm not sure exactly what's happened

969

00:38:18,550 --> 00:38:15,040

but i'll

970

00:38:19,990 --> 00:38:18,560

see i can do here we might have to

971

00:38:21,430 --> 00:38:20,000

uh

972

00:38:22,790 --> 00:38:21,440

might have to take him out and bring him

973

00:38:25,510 --> 00:38:22,800

back in

974

00:38:28,230 --> 00:38:25,520

uh so those of you in chat lee just uh

975

00:38:29,829 --> 00:38:28,240

joined thank you uh great to see you lee

976

00:38:32,870 --> 00:38:29,839

up in canada

977

00:38:35,829 --> 00:38:32,880

um all right so i

978

00:38:38,230 --> 00:38:35,839

am going to see what happened there

979

00:38:42,470 --> 00:38:40,790

we don't know what happened to him

980

00:38:44,870 --> 00:38:42,480

i hope this isn't the end of the show i

981

00:38:46,950 --> 00:38:44,880

have so many more questions to ask him

982

00:38:49,750 --> 00:38:46,960

so thank you for being in chat and uh

983

00:38:52,310 --> 00:38:49,760

please be patient hopefully um he will

984

00:38:54,150 --> 00:38:52,320

come right back in he popped out he's

985

00:38:56,069 --> 00:38:54,160

gonna

986

00:38:58,230 --> 00:38:56,079

hopefully he didn't lose internet that's

987

00:38:59,589 --> 00:38:58,240

the thing we never want to happen

988

00:39:02,310 --> 00:38:59,599

but

989

00:39:05,270 --> 00:39:02,320

yeah it's uh it was certainly

990

00:39:08,150 --> 00:39:05,280

interesting for me traveling to russia

991

00:39:10,550 --> 00:39:08,160

um the four times that i did and

992

00:39:12,550 --> 00:39:10,560

you know it's really uh let's see if i i

993

00:39:15,190 --> 00:39:12,560

did take a couple of pictures and put a

994

00:39:18,550 --> 00:39:15,200

couple and here's here i am wearing the

995

00:39:19,589 --> 00:39:18,560

podcast ufo t-shirt i'm in some little

996

00:39:21,109 --> 00:39:19,599

uh

997

00:39:23,990 --> 00:39:21,119

i know it looks bavarian but it's

998

00:39:26,230 --> 00:39:24,000

russian little russian town i can't

999

00:39:27,430 --> 00:39:26,240

remember exactly where that was

1000

00:39:29,109 --> 00:39:27,440

uh

1001  
00:39:31,270 --> 00:39:29,119  
grocery stores

1002  
00:39:32,630 --> 00:39:31,280  
here's uh you can see the writing over

1003  
00:39:34,790 --> 00:39:32,640  
there on the side of the wall and the

1004  
00:39:36,870 --> 00:39:34,800  
signs um so

1005  
00:39:39,670 --> 00:39:36,880  
one of the things i noticed about a lot

1006  
00:39:41,589 --> 00:39:39,680  
of the grocery stores they're not

1007  
00:39:43,430 --> 00:39:41,599  
really stores

1008  
00:39:45,349 --> 00:39:43,440  
that we're used to

1009  
00:39:46,470 --> 00:39:45,359  
you had to go

1010  
00:39:48,870 --> 00:39:46,480  
to

1011  
00:39:51,670 --> 00:39:48,880  
the butcher if you wanted meats you had

1012  
00:39:54,230 --> 00:39:51,680  
to go to the baker if you wanted breads

1013  
00:39:57,430 --> 00:39:54,240

for this concept of a grocery store

1014

00:39:58,550 --> 00:39:57,440

where there's a variety of things in

1015

00:39:59,589 --> 00:39:58,560

uh

1016

00:40:00,870 --> 00:39:59,599

is not

1017

00:40:03,030 --> 00:40:00,880

something that

1018

00:40:05,990 --> 00:40:03,040

had been around for a long time in the

1019

00:40:08,470 --> 00:40:06,000

area that i was visiting the most part i

1020

00:40:10,950 --> 00:40:08,480

think he's coming back in

1021

00:40:12,870 --> 00:40:10,960

oh you're back so i was just uh i kept

1022

00:40:14,790 --> 00:40:12,880

this going i was talking about you know

1023

00:40:15,750 --> 00:40:14,800

being in a grocery store how the grocery

1024

00:40:18,230 --> 00:40:15,760

stores

1025

00:40:20,390 --> 00:40:18,240

initially uh there wasn't such a thing

1026

00:40:22,950 --> 00:40:20,400

basically you went to the butcher you

1027

00:40:25,349 --> 00:40:22,960

went and you got bread at the bakery you

1028

00:40:27,430 --> 00:40:25,359

know it wasn't all housed in one place

1029

00:40:29,589 --> 00:40:27,440

for the most part but uh now that you're

1030

00:40:31,349 --> 00:40:29,599

back uh you know i can't even remember

1031

00:40:32,870 --> 00:40:31,359

because i had to keep this going exactly

1032

00:40:34,069 --> 00:40:32,880

what you were in mid-sentence do you

1033

00:40:37,030 --> 00:40:34,079

remember what you were talking about i

1034

00:40:38,950 --> 00:40:37,040

was of course i'm sorry that must be kgb

1035

00:40:41,190 --> 00:40:38,960

or police going after me they heard i

1036

00:40:43,030 --> 00:40:41,200

was you know yes badmouthing police and

1037

00:40:44,950 --> 00:40:43,040

they're like oh we're gonna we're gonna

1038

00:40:47,910 --> 00:40:44,960

do something about it or the men in

1039

00:40:50,349 --> 00:40:47,920

black yeah yeah

1040

00:40:54,150 --> 00:40:50,359

yeah man and uh red blue and

1041

00:40:56,309 --> 00:40:54,160

and white um i was talking about that

1042

00:40:58,390 --> 00:40:56,319

this crossing of the industries the

1043

00:41:00,950 --> 00:40:58,400

chemical industry and the food industry

1044

00:41:03,910 --> 00:41:00,960

that happened in the ussr you know what

1045

00:41:06,950 --> 00:41:03,920

i mean uh the roots at least the roots

1046

00:41:10,390 --> 00:41:06,960

are on the ussr

1047

00:41:11,349 --> 00:41:10,400

um like by trade i built power stations

1048

00:41:15,910 --> 00:41:11,359

and

1049

00:41:18,069 --> 00:41:15,920

been offering lots of small power

1050

00:41:20,390 --> 00:41:18,079

stations independent power supplies for

1051  
00:41:21,910 --> 00:41:20,400  
manufacturers and one of our segments is

1052  
00:41:25,430 --> 00:41:21,920  
agriculture

1053  
00:41:27,829 --> 00:41:25,440  
large large food plants food processors

1054  
00:41:30,550 --> 00:41:27,839  
uh owned by the russian companies and

1055  
00:41:32,309 --> 00:41:30,560  
the the western companies you know

1056  
00:41:33,910 --> 00:41:32,319  
mostly owned by the western companies

1057  
00:41:35,430 --> 00:41:33,920  
but

1058  
00:41:37,430 --> 00:41:35,440  
they trying to install their own

1059  
00:41:39,670 --> 00:41:37,440  
electricity because becoming too too

1060  
00:41:43,190 --> 00:41:39,680  
expensive to buy from the government so

1061  
00:41:46,230 --> 00:41:43,200  
i've been going around different uh

1062  
00:41:48,230 --> 00:41:46,240  
milk plants you know cheese plants and

1063  
00:41:50,390 --> 00:41:48,240

meat plants meat processors and stuff

1064

00:41:51,990 --> 00:41:50,400

like that and talking to them

1065

00:41:53,990 --> 00:41:52,000

and

1066

00:41:56,069 --> 00:41:54,000

they were telling me that they actually

1067

00:41:58,790 --> 00:41:56,079

like people who produce the food in

1068

00:42:00,870 --> 00:41:58,800

russia they eat the food the very same

1069

00:42:03,109 --> 00:42:00,880

food so it's safe

1070

00:42:06,230 --> 00:42:03,119

it does have some chemicals

1071

00:42:07,270 --> 00:42:06,240

but uh they're saying it's too expensive

1072

00:42:09,430 --> 00:42:07,280

if you

1073

00:42:11,430 --> 00:42:09,440

put too much chemicals you have to buy

1074

00:42:12,630 --> 00:42:11,440

them and they're they're expensive it's

1075

00:42:15,349 --> 00:42:12,640

cheaper to

1076  
00:42:16,870 --> 00:42:15,359  
use like more financial products i'm not

1077  
00:42:18,950 --> 00:42:16,880  
sure whether i believe it or not but

1078  
00:42:21,910 --> 00:42:18,960  
that's a popular opinion among the

1079  
00:42:24,390 --> 00:42:21,920  
manufacturers here in russia

1080  
00:42:27,510 --> 00:42:24,400  
interesting so i i have to tell you this

1081  
00:42:30,390 --> 00:42:27,520  
um this uh friend of mine

1082  
00:42:33,109 --> 00:42:30,400  
recently sold a couple years ago sold

1083  
00:42:36,150 --> 00:42:33,119  
his boat yard in miami

1084  
00:42:37,670 --> 00:42:36,160  
he worked on on major boats and yachts

1085  
00:42:39,430 --> 00:42:37,680  
a yacht came in

1086  
00:42:42,069 --> 00:42:39,440  
the yacht was

1087  
00:42:45,190 --> 00:42:42,079  
owned by a russian oligarch

1088  
00:42:47,190 --> 00:42:45,200

and this yacht had like an army on it

1089

00:42:49,270 --> 00:42:47,200

some type of army wasn't like an army

1090

00:42:51,270 --> 00:42:49,280

but it was they're all in uniform they

1091

00:42:53,430 --> 00:42:51,280

were had something to do with russia i'm

1092

00:42:56,550 --> 00:42:53,440

not sure exactly what they were

1093

00:42:59,430 --> 00:42:56,560

this yacht was so expensive

1094

00:43:01,109 --> 00:42:59,440

it had an escape submarine that could go

1095

00:43:03,430 --> 00:43:01,119

out from the bottom

1096

00:43:06,870 --> 00:43:03,440

had an elevator it had i forget exactly

1097

00:43:10,550 --> 00:43:06,880

how how big this thing was um and it had

1098

00:43:12,870 --> 00:43:10,560

also like weaponry of uh audio weapons

1099

00:43:14,950 --> 00:43:12,880

so like it could blast out these sounds

1100

00:43:17,430 --> 00:43:14,960

that were so loud that it was if anyone

1101  
00:43:20,309 --> 00:43:17,440  
went to board them they would be blown

1102  
00:43:23,430 --> 00:43:20,319  
away by the the audio i'm not sure

1103  
00:43:24,710 --> 00:43:23,440  
exactly what that's called but um

1104  
00:43:27,670 --> 00:43:24,720  
the point i'm getting at you just

1105  
00:43:29,430 --> 00:43:27,680  
mentioned power companies

1106  
00:43:31,750 --> 00:43:29,440  
supposedly

1107  
00:43:33,910 --> 00:43:31,760  
from someone that my friend spoke to

1108  
00:43:35,670 --> 00:43:33,920  
very quietly about it

1109  
00:43:38,870 --> 00:43:35,680  
his rise to

1110  
00:43:43,109 --> 00:43:38,880  
great wealth was being a friend of

1111  
00:43:45,910 --> 00:43:43,119  
putin's and getting a few dollars off of

1112  
00:43:47,670 --> 00:43:45,920  
each electric bill or had something to

1113  
00:43:50,069 --> 00:43:47,680

do with the electric company he'd get

1114

00:43:52,950 --> 00:43:50,079

little teeny bits that added up to

1115

00:43:55,190 --> 00:43:52,960

billions of american dollars

1116

00:43:58,150 --> 00:43:55,200

is and he never got to see the family at

1117

00:44:00,390 --> 00:43:58,160

all they never were on the boat just the

1118

00:44:02,390 --> 00:44:00,400

uh just the captain of the boat and and

1119

00:44:04,870 --> 00:44:02,400

the people that were piloting it but he

1120

00:44:06,829 --> 00:44:04,880

said there was a pretty big crew on the

1121

00:44:09,829 --> 00:44:06,839

boat and they were all in

1122

00:44:12,230 --> 00:44:09,839

uniform is that surprising any any type

1123

00:44:14,470 --> 00:44:12,240

of way to do any of that no not not

1124

00:44:17,030 --> 00:44:14,480

surprising i'm not surprised whatsoever

1125

00:44:18,870 --> 00:44:17,040

that's how things work in russia

1126

00:44:20,950 --> 00:44:18,880

you see russians uh

1127

00:44:23,030 --> 00:44:20,960

i'm not gonna call the names but

1128

00:44:25,190 --> 00:44:23,040

the higher-ups they have access to

1129

00:44:28,390 --> 00:44:25,200

russia's resources

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00:44:31,270 --> 00:44:28,400

and they're basically funneling money

1131

00:44:33,190 --> 00:44:31,280

to overseas to cyprus

1132

00:44:35,349 --> 00:44:33,200

you know british virgin islands to the

1133

00:44:36,950 --> 00:44:35,359

offshore zones

1134

00:44:40,309 --> 00:44:36,960

and um

1135

00:44:41,510 --> 00:44:40,319

that's exactly what probably is uh the

1136

00:44:44,230 --> 00:44:41,520

guy gets

1137

00:44:46,790 --> 00:44:44,240

his stake out of every single dollar

1138

00:44:48,630 --> 00:44:46,800

that we paid to the utility company

1139

00:44:50,230 --> 00:44:48,640

uh

1140

00:44:52,150 --> 00:44:50,240

probably gets 10

1141

00:44:54,069 --> 00:44:52,160

amounts to billions and billions of

1142

00:44:58,069 --> 00:44:54,079

dollars and then

1143

00:45:01,670 --> 00:44:58,079

he his family lives probably in london

1144

00:45:02,829 --> 00:45:01,680

or in miami he has a few yachts uh he

1145

00:45:05,990 --> 00:45:02,839

has

1146

00:45:07,990 --> 00:45:06,000

huge uh security companies services from

1147

00:45:10,230 --> 00:45:08,000

all the time and so that's how it works

1148

00:45:11,910 --> 00:45:10,240

in russia basically

1149

00:45:13,349 --> 00:45:11,920

and um

1150

00:45:15,270 --> 00:45:13,359

so

1151  
00:45:17,670 --> 00:45:15,280  
one of the things uh you know i'd like

1152  
00:45:20,150 --> 00:45:17,680  
to to ask you and just hear

1153  
00:45:22,230 --> 00:45:20,160  
your opinion of it i i've also

1154  
00:45:23,910 --> 00:45:22,240  
understand that a lot of

1155  
00:45:26,390 --> 00:45:23,920  
there's a lot of propaganda when it

1156  
00:45:28,150 --> 00:45:26,400  
comes to the news there uh that the most

1157  
00:45:31,109 --> 00:45:28,160  
of the news stations are

1158  
00:45:33,510 --> 00:45:31,119  
somehow linked to or

1159  
00:45:35,349 --> 00:45:33,520  
owned by the very top

1160  
00:45:37,589 --> 00:45:35,359  
uh so

1161  
00:45:42,470 --> 00:45:37,599  
what and when you're in russia what do

1162  
00:45:47,910 --> 00:45:44,309  
yeah

1163  
00:45:49,510 --> 00:45:47,920

uh well this book consists of two parts

1164

00:45:51,030 --> 00:45:49,520

the first part is

1165

00:45:53,430 --> 00:45:51,040

the stations and the media are

1166

00:45:55,349 --> 00:45:53,440

controlled by the government

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00:45:58,470 --> 00:45:55,359

or owned by the government

1168

00:46:02,069 --> 00:45:58,480

you see it's not owned by the government

1169

00:46:03,030 --> 00:46:02,079

per se but it's controlled by people

1170

00:46:08,150 --> 00:46:03,040

who

1171

00:46:09,270 --> 00:46:08,160

chance a right to control these

1172

00:46:11,829 --> 00:46:09,280

companies

1173

00:46:14,230 --> 00:46:11,839

and these people probably the ones who

1174

00:46:16,550 --> 00:46:14,240

have yachts in miami

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00:46:20,950 --> 00:46:18,069

so that's

1176

00:46:24,230 --> 00:46:20,960

that's pretty much it uh

1177

00:46:26,870 --> 00:46:24,240

close to 100 percent of media is in

1178

00:46:31,030 --> 00:46:29,190

a disclaimer okay i can say very

1179

00:46:33,990 --> 00:46:31,040

obedient

1180

00:46:35,270 --> 00:46:34,000

um

1181

00:46:37,030 --> 00:46:35,280

[Music]

1182

00:46:39,990 --> 00:46:37,040

we do not hear

1183

00:46:44,470 --> 00:46:40,000

much about alexey navalny anymore

1184

00:46:47,990 --> 00:46:44,480

uh the last surge of activity was

1185

00:46:49,109 --> 00:46:48,000

about a year ago when we had protests

1186

00:46:51,430 --> 00:46:49,119

uh

1187

00:46:53,829 --> 00:46:51,440

at the end of the year well before the

1188

00:46:57,829 --> 00:46:53,839

new year after right after

1189

00:47:00,150 --> 00:46:57,839

and the last protest was in

1190

00:47:03,910 --> 00:47:00,160

late march and actually went and i

1191

00:47:05,270 --> 00:47:03,920

filmed in this video on my channel

1192

00:47:07,910 --> 00:47:05,280

uh

1193

00:47:10,390 --> 00:47:07,920

as you know he returned to russia

1194

00:47:11,990 --> 00:47:10,400

a year ago and he was arrested

1195

00:47:14,309 --> 00:47:12,000

right on the plane

1196

00:47:17,670 --> 00:47:14,319

and he was sentenced to a few years and

1197

00:47:19,109 --> 00:47:17,680

he's serving his serving time right now

1198

00:47:21,510 --> 00:47:19,119

um

1199

00:47:22,870 --> 00:47:21,520

so he was like talk of russia for quite

1200

00:47:24,630 --> 00:47:22,880

some time

1201

00:47:27,030 --> 00:47:24,640

but then all of a sudden

1202

00:47:28,309 --> 00:47:27,040

all information about him just boom

1203

00:47:29,750 --> 00:47:28,319

disappeared

1204

00:47:31,190 --> 00:47:29,760

and the official position of the

1205

00:47:33,589 --> 00:47:31,200

government is like

1206

00:47:37,109 --> 00:47:33,599

what is there to talk about the guy was

1207

00:47:40,150 --> 00:47:37,119

found guilty by a court russian court

1208

00:47:42,470 --> 00:47:40,160

the most fair court in the world

1209

00:47:45,270 --> 00:47:42,480

uh most honest court in the world you

1210

00:47:47,430 --> 00:47:45,280

know and he was sentenced and he's

1211

00:47:49,510 --> 00:47:47,440

-serving time what is there to talk about

1212

00:47:52,630 --> 00:47:49,520

okay he's a criminal and the criminal

1213

00:47:56,150 --> 00:47:52,640

must be put in jail

1214

00:48:00,390 --> 00:47:56,160

and of course there are some

1215

00:48:03,430 --> 00:48:00,400

very few independent media outlets left

1216

00:48:06,630 --> 00:48:03,440

and by the way uh in the last six months

1217

00:48:09,510 --> 00:48:06,640

russia has gone through a huge huge

1218

00:48:11,990 --> 00:48:09,520

change of the landscape media landscape

1219

00:48:14,390 --> 00:48:12,000

because before they were some

1220

00:48:15,910 --> 00:48:14,400

like for example independently operated

1221

00:48:18,710 --> 00:48:15,920

websites

1222

00:48:20,390 --> 00:48:18,720

okay and they were just

1223

00:48:22,309 --> 00:48:20,400

out there to

1224

00:48:23,990 --> 00:48:22,319

say whatever they want spread whatever

1225

00:48:25,430 --> 00:48:24,000

they wanted to spread whatever the

1226

00:48:26,790 --> 00:48:25,440

whatever information they wanted to

1227

00:48:27,910 --> 00:48:26,800

spread okay

1228

00:48:29,030 --> 00:48:27,920

but

1229

00:48:30,309 --> 00:48:29,040

they were

1230

00:48:33,510 --> 00:48:30,319

a few laws

1231

00:48:34,790 --> 00:48:33,520

created inside into existence a few

1232

00:48:36,790 --> 00:48:34,800

months ago

1233

00:48:39,990 --> 00:48:36,800

that would

1234

00:48:40,950 --> 00:48:40,000

well they they the laws gave the

1235

00:48:42,390 --> 00:48:40,960

state

1236

00:48:44,470 --> 00:48:42,400

the ability

1237

00:48:45,589 --> 00:48:44,480

to label

1238

00:48:46,630 --> 00:48:45,599

any

1239

00:48:49,589 --> 00:48:46,640

uh

1240

00:48:51,750 --> 00:48:49,599

media outlet any physical person just

1241

00:48:52,470 --> 00:48:51,760

person like myself you know any any of

1242

00:48:57,270 --> 00:48:52,480

us

1243

00:48:58,390 --> 00:48:57,280

of enemy

1244

00:49:02,790 --> 00:48:58,400

if

1245

00:49:05,109 --> 00:49:02,800

anyone gets financing from

1246

00:49:08,150 --> 00:49:05,119

from abroad not from russia for example

1247

00:49:09,750 --> 00:49:08,160

a donation of one dollar made from

1248

00:49:12,069 --> 00:49:09,760

abroad to

1249

00:49:13,910 --> 00:49:12,079

to uh i don't know paypal or to a bank

1250

00:49:16,390 --> 00:49:13,920

account

1251  
00:49:18,470 --> 00:49:16,400  
from a person you don't even know okay

1252  
00:49:21,990 --> 00:49:18,480  
then the russian government can come in

1253  
00:49:25,349 --> 00:49:22,000  
and say oh oh you are an agent of an

1254  
00:49:28,230 --> 00:49:25,359  
enemy or enemy state because you

1255  
00:49:30,470 --> 00:49:28,240  
uh are getting financed by

1256  
00:49:32,390 --> 00:49:30,480  
someone we don't know we don't know your

1257  
00:49:34,230 --> 00:49:32,400  
intentions and

1258  
00:49:37,589 --> 00:49:34,240  
there are so many regulations you fall

1259  
00:49:39,990 --> 00:49:37,599  
into meaning you have to

1260  
00:49:43,030 --> 00:49:40,000  
go through a scrutiny of

1261  
00:49:45,109 --> 00:49:43,040  
giving every single income source of

1262  
00:49:48,309 --> 00:49:45,119  
income to the russian government you

1263  
00:49:49,910 --> 00:49:48,319

must create like a form you must report

1264

00:49:52,710 --> 00:49:49,920

every three months

1265

00:49:54,870 --> 00:49:52,720

uh for every single ruble that you spend

1266

00:49:56,710 --> 00:49:54,880

including your food expenses you know

1267

00:49:59,510 --> 00:49:56,720

your restaurants anything like everyday

1268

00:50:02,470 --> 00:49:59,520

life expenses and they they put you

1269

00:50:04,230 --> 00:50:02,480

under a microscope and that's it's so

1270

00:50:07,270 --> 00:50:04,240

difficult for

1271

00:50:09,270 --> 00:50:07,280

uh a company who relies on selling

1272

00:50:11,349 --> 00:50:09,280

commercials for example

1273

00:50:14,069 --> 00:50:11,359

uh you know in the west

1274

00:50:16,630 --> 00:50:14,079

and getting money from google ads okay

1275

00:50:20,630 --> 00:50:16,640

it's so difficult because

1276  
00:50:23,510 --> 00:50:20,640  
they must uh like state in large letters

1277  
00:50:25,589 --> 00:50:23,520  
before they put any information

1278  
00:50:27,670 --> 00:50:25,599  
this information is provided by the

1279  
00:50:29,910 --> 00:50:27,680  
agent of an enemy according to this

1280  
00:50:33,190 --> 00:50:29,920  
decree from this date and stuff like

1281  
00:50:34,870 --> 00:50:33,200  
that you know so basically these laws

1282  
00:50:37,349 --> 00:50:34,880  
have made

1283  
00:50:38,549 --> 00:50:37,359  
life extremely difficult for independent

1284  
00:50:40,790 --> 00:50:38,559  
media

1285  
00:50:43,030 --> 00:50:40,800  
okay and

1286  
00:50:45,030 --> 00:50:43,040  
this system is in place now

1287  
00:50:47,589 --> 00:50:45,040  
those independent

1288  
00:50:49,589 --> 00:50:47,599

websites i don't know you call it media

1289

00:50:52,069 --> 00:50:49,599

they're dying slowly dying i think there

1290

00:50:53,910 --> 00:50:52,079

are like five or six left and that's it

1291

00:50:55,270 --> 00:50:53,920

and no one is talking about navalny

1292

00:50:57,109 --> 00:50:55,280

anymore

1293

00:50:59,430 --> 00:50:57,119

to answer your question

1294

00:51:01,030 --> 00:50:59,440

yeah he's already forgotten

1295

00:51:02,790 --> 00:51:01,040

i'm going to put this up

1296

00:51:05,990 --> 00:51:02,800

and i know that it's it's kind of a

1297

00:51:09,829 --> 00:51:06,000

tricky thing probably but um do you ever

1298

00:51:11,190 --> 00:51:09,839

see anything like this happening

1299

00:51:14,150 --> 00:51:11,200

this image

1300

00:51:17,750 --> 00:51:16,069

do you care to even comment on something

1301  
00:51:20,470 --> 00:51:17,760  
like this or is it or is it even

1302  
00:51:23,430 --> 00:51:20,480  
dangerous to comment on it

1303  
00:51:27,430 --> 00:51:23,440  
well um

1304  
00:51:29,510 --> 00:51:27,440  
i will comment uh the way i understand

1305  
00:51:32,710 --> 00:51:29,520  
it okay

1306  
00:51:35,349 --> 00:51:32,720  
what we just saw is a speculation there

1307  
00:51:36,630 --> 00:51:35,359  
is no proof of that

1308  
00:51:39,190 --> 00:51:36,640  
but

1309  
00:51:41,430 --> 00:51:39,200  
i believe that uh

1310  
00:51:44,549 --> 00:51:41,440  
you know russian president is a very

1311  
00:51:45,750 --> 00:51:44,559  
very i think the world's wealthiest man

1312  
00:51:47,349 --> 00:51:45,760  
in the world

1313  
00:51:49,190 --> 00:51:47,359

um

1314

00:51:50,710 --> 00:51:49,200

that that's it that's that's all you're

1315

00:51:52,470 --> 00:51:50,720

gonna see

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00:51:54,069 --> 00:51:52,480

and this is from

1317

00:51:55,109 --> 00:51:54,079

someone that's supposed to have an

1318

00:51:56,309 --> 00:51:55,119

income

1319

00:51:58,630 --> 00:51:56,319

of uh

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00:52:00,790 --> 00:51:58,640

it's i've heard numbers tossed around

1321

00:52:04,630 --> 00:52:00,800

the income is supposed to be something

1322

00:52:07,109 --> 00:52:04,640

under 100 000 american dollars per year

1323

00:52:09,030 --> 00:52:07,119

uh yes yes but the thing is if you go

1324

00:52:10,950 --> 00:52:09,040

and look into his accounts

1325

00:52:12,790 --> 00:52:10,960

this is probably like

1326  
00:52:14,230 --> 00:52:12,800  
he doesn't spend anything because the

1327  
00:52:16,230 --> 00:52:14,240  
state pays for

1328  
00:52:19,349 --> 00:52:16,240  
you know housing food transportation

1329  
00:52:22,230 --> 00:52:19,359  
everything clothing so he's probably has

1330  
00:52:24,470 --> 00:52:22,240  
those that salary in a bank account and

1331  
00:52:27,910 --> 00:52:24,480  
like he officially doesn't own anything

1332  
00:52:31,030 --> 00:52:27,920  
you know what i mean but unofficially

1333  
00:52:33,270 --> 00:52:31,040  
uh it's a proven fact that one of his

1334  
00:52:35,829 --> 00:52:33,280  
friends from a childhood

1335  
00:52:38,390 --> 00:52:35,839  
a very talented musician

1336  
00:52:42,150 --> 00:52:38,400  
a great guy you know he plays i think he

1337  
00:52:44,309 --> 00:52:42,160  
plays violin he is a billionaire

1338  
00:52:46,230 --> 00:52:44,319

just a regular musician you know and he

1339

00:52:48,549 --> 00:52:46,240

is like a billion dollars somewhere in

1340

00:52:50,309 --> 00:52:48,559

an offshore company somewhere in the

1341

00:52:51,750 --> 00:52:50,319

caymans something like that and then

1342

00:52:52,950 --> 00:52:51,760

people were asking

1343

00:52:54,069 --> 00:52:52,960

how much

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00:52:58,230 --> 00:52:54,079

like

1345

00:53:00,470 --> 00:52:58,240

few years ago where they came out with

1346

00:53:02,549 --> 00:53:00,480

information about people's

1347

00:53:04,950 --> 00:53:02,559

offshore accounts politicians from all

1348

00:53:07,829 --> 00:53:04,960

over the world including so back then

1349

00:53:08,870 --> 00:53:07,839

they said okay how come does where did

1350

00:53:11,750 --> 00:53:08,880

the guy

1351

00:53:15,190 --> 00:53:11,760

where did that guy get his like one

1352

00:53:17,270 --> 00:53:15,200

billion dollars from okay mystery there

1353

00:53:18,950 --> 00:53:17,280

was no answer the answer was like well

1354

00:53:21,510 --> 00:53:18,960

he's a great guy you know he's he's a

1355

00:53:24,630 --> 00:53:21,520

great musician you know he he does a lot

1356

00:53:25,990 --> 00:53:24,640

for charities something like that so

1357

00:53:28,790 --> 00:53:26,000

just

1358

00:53:29,990 --> 00:53:28,800

think further that gives you an idea of

1359

00:53:33,140 --> 00:53:30,000

how

1360

00:53:34,549 --> 00:53:33,150

that article could be could be um

1361

00:53:37,349 --> 00:53:34,559

[Music]

1362

00:53:40,630 --> 00:53:37,359

true but i'm not sure i don't know

1363

00:53:41,430 --> 00:53:40,640

yeah well this also uh alexi nalvaini

1364

00:53:42,470 --> 00:53:41,440

did

1365

00:53:44,790 --> 00:53:42,480

a whole

1366

00:53:47,589 --> 00:53:44,800

a video on this and from what i

1367

00:53:50,150 --> 00:53:47,599

understand it was the number one watched

1368

00:53:52,230 --> 00:53:50,160

video in russia on youtube

1369

00:53:54,309 --> 00:53:52,240

uh something like nine nine million

1370

00:53:57,270 --> 00:53:54,319

views about this castle

1371

00:54:01,270 --> 00:53:57,280

that was built and it goes on and on as

1372

00:54:07,190 --> 00:54:04,309

yeah martin martin this is old news

1373

00:54:09,910 --> 00:54:07,200

this is such an old news i mean

1374

00:54:11,430 --> 00:54:09,920

uh i don't know russians were really

1375

00:54:13,589 --> 00:54:11,440

baited

1376

00:54:16,549 --> 00:54:13,599

but they got debate but uh

1377

00:54:20,630 --> 00:54:16,559

did this this video okay in

1378

00:54:22,630 --> 00:54:20,640

most likely this video is 100 true but

1379

00:54:26,870 --> 00:54:22,640

there was a huge scandal

1380

00:54:28,870 --> 00:54:26,880

with this palace back in 2007 or 2008

1381

00:54:31,750 --> 00:54:28,880

when the construction started because

1382

00:54:34,069 --> 00:54:31,760

there was a huge national reserve and

1383

00:54:36,390 --> 00:54:34,079

the locals enjoyed private beat not

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00:54:38,950 --> 00:54:36,400

private but like public beach and nice

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00:54:39,670 --> 00:54:38,960

forest and all of a sudden people came

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00:54:41,270 --> 00:54:39,680

in

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00:54:42,470 --> 00:54:41,280

and they put fans and they said okay

1388

00:54:44,950 --> 00:54:42,480

this is a

1389

00:54:47,349 --> 00:54:44,960

secure day right now and everyone knew

1390

00:54:49,589 --> 00:54:47,359

who the construction of a summer house

1391

00:54:51,190 --> 00:54:49,599

dutch have for who that construction was

1392

00:54:53,670 --> 00:54:51,200

meant to be

1393

00:54:55,750 --> 00:54:53,680

and there was a local blogger

1394

00:54:57,589 --> 00:54:55,760

there was no video blogging back then i

1395

00:55:00,470 --> 00:54:57,599

think he was putting things on live

1396

00:55:02,470 --> 00:55:00,480

journal the local guy from a village he

1397

00:55:04,710 --> 00:55:02,480

got close to the fans and he started

1398

00:55:06,549 --> 00:55:04,720

doing reporting from

1399

00:55:08,950 --> 00:55:06,559

close to the fence right

1400

00:55:10,710 --> 00:55:08,960

not jumping fence or anything like that

1401

00:55:13,510 --> 00:55:10,720

but he was starting like putting

1402

00:55:15,829 --> 00:55:13,520

attention to that construction and he

1403

00:55:18,470 --> 00:55:15,839

got year and a half from jail

1404

00:55:21,910 --> 00:55:18,480

okay wow there was a huge scandal back

1405

00:55:24,390 --> 00:55:21,920

in 2000 it's old news we all know that

1406

00:55:28,549 --> 00:55:24,400

this thing is there it has been there

1407

00:55:30,789 --> 00:55:28,559

and we know who this belongs to okay

1408

00:55:33,190 --> 00:55:30,799

now i just kind of brought it up because

1409

00:55:34,789 --> 00:55:33,200

he's so popular has so many followers on

1410

00:55:36,230 --> 00:55:34,799

his youtube channel and stuff like that

1411

00:55:38,789 --> 00:55:36,240

but i mean

1412

00:55:40,470 --> 00:55:38,799

we knew that and by the way his

1413

00:55:42,390 --> 00:55:40,480

his um

1414

00:55:45,109 --> 00:55:42,400

his videos

1415

00:55:48,549 --> 00:55:45,119

that's not the the most scandalous one

1416

00:55:50,470 --> 00:55:48,559

okay his other videos are also excellent

1417

00:55:52,870 --> 00:55:50,480

and they're straight to the point and

1418

00:55:53,910 --> 00:55:52,880

what i like about the videos he gives

1419

00:55:55,030 --> 00:55:53,920

facts

1420

00:55:57,990 --> 00:55:55,040

okay

1421

00:56:01,510 --> 00:55:58,000

he does not accuse anyone oh perhaps he

1422

00:56:04,069 --> 00:56:01,520

holds that no he says look this is a

1423

00:56:06,630 --> 00:56:04,079

registry of the owners this is a state

1424

00:56:07,990 --> 00:56:06,640

like paper how come this person right

1425

00:56:10,309 --> 00:56:08,000

here

1426  
00:56:12,950 --> 00:56:10,319  
owns this apartment that costs like you

1427  
00:56:16,549 --> 00:56:12,960  
know 15 million dollars

1428  
00:56:19,430 --> 00:56:16,559  
like his salary is this much please

1429  
00:56:21,510 --> 00:56:19,440  
uh like state prosecutors please go and

1430  
00:56:22,950 --> 00:56:21,520  
ask this person where did he get the

1431  
00:56:24,950 --> 00:56:22,960  
money from

1432  
00:56:27,430 --> 00:56:24,960  
okay and that's why the violate he was

1433  
00:56:30,710 --> 00:56:27,440  
very straight to the point viewers very

1434  
00:56:33,030 --> 00:56:30,720  
logical that's why he was such a threat

1435  
00:56:35,190 --> 00:56:33,040  
that he needed to be

1436  
00:56:38,069 --> 00:56:35,200  
well neutralized

1437  
00:56:39,589 --> 00:56:38,079  
right right and

1438  
00:56:41,829 --> 00:56:39,599

what do you think now i don't know if

1439

00:56:48,470 --> 00:56:41,839

you can answer this or not but

1440

00:56:52,710 --> 00:56:50,950

really if you if pretty good questions

1441

00:56:55,030 --> 00:56:52,720

if you feel uncomfortable you can just

1442

00:56:56,789 --> 00:56:55,040

say i'd rather not answer that

1443

00:56:58,870 --> 00:56:56,799

i tell you what

1444

00:57:00,470 --> 00:56:58,880

um

1445

00:57:02,470 --> 00:57:00,480

i don't like to lie

1446

00:57:04,710 --> 00:57:02,480

i don't lie uh

1447

00:57:06,390 --> 00:57:04,720

but i cannot say the truth

1448

00:57:08,069 --> 00:57:06,400

let's get it this way

1449

00:57:09,990 --> 00:57:08,079

okay

1450

00:57:12,870 --> 00:57:10,000

one thing though uh

1451  
00:57:15,190 --> 00:57:12,880  
i believe that the elections of putin

1452  
00:57:17,750 --> 00:57:15,200  
are the last presidential

1453  
00:57:19,190 --> 00:57:17,760  
elections i believe those elections were

1454  
00:57:23,270 --> 00:57:19,200  
fair

1455  
00:57:24,710 --> 00:57:23,280  
back in 2018 he was elected for the

1456  
00:57:29,670 --> 00:57:24,720  
fourth

1457  
00:57:31,990 --> 00:57:29,680  
and um i actually decided to witness

1458  
00:57:34,230 --> 00:57:32,000  
with my own eyes i went to different

1459  
00:57:36,470 --> 00:57:34,240  
polling stations and i saw tons of

1460  
00:57:37,430 --> 00:57:36,480  
people especially all the folks voting

1461  
00:57:38,470 --> 00:57:37,440  
for him

1462  
00:57:41,270 --> 00:57:38,480  
okay

1463  
00:57:42,950 --> 00:57:41,280

uh they'd been such a campaign preceding

1464

00:57:44,230 --> 00:57:42,960

the elections they literally had

1465

00:57:49,430 --> 00:57:44,240

brainwashed

1466

00:57:51,430 --> 00:57:49,440

was very logical person and then she

1467

00:57:53,829 --> 00:57:51,440

voted well i don't know who she voted

1468

00:57:56,470 --> 00:57:53,839

for but she was supporting putin and

1469

00:57:58,549 --> 00:57:56,480

then three months later she like woke up

1470

00:58:00,630 --> 00:57:58,559

and she was like wait a second what have

1471

00:58:02,630 --> 00:58:00,640

i done you know what's going on that's

1472

00:58:03,750 --> 00:58:02,640

not what he promised us and things like

1473

00:58:06,309 --> 00:58:03,760

that but

1474

00:58:08,309 --> 00:58:06,319

um i have a couple of friends of mine

1475

00:58:09,030 --> 00:58:08,319

who are in charge of polling stations

1476

00:58:12,870 --> 00:58:09,040

it's

1477

00:58:14,549 --> 00:58:12,880

volunteering job okay

1478

00:58:16,710 --> 00:58:14,559

but i called them up and they said you

1479

00:58:18,230 --> 00:58:16,720

know what 75 percent

1480

00:58:22,390 --> 00:58:18,240

three-fourths

1481

00:58:23,910 --> 00:58:22,400

uh of people actually are pro-putin and

1482

00:58:25,750 --> 00:58:23,920

a lot of them couldn't understand

1483

00:58:27,670 --> 00:58:25,760

because they're saying like older people

1484

00:58:30,710 --> 00:58:27,680

come they don't have enough money for

1485

00:58:32,710 --> 00:58:30,720

food but they scream putin is way to go

1486

00:58:34,630 --> 00:58:32,720

you know he's the one that is protector

1487

00:58:36,470 --> 00:58:34,640

of russia he can protect us he's the

1488

00:58:39,109 --> 00:58:36,480

only one that's not

1489

00:58:41,670 --> 00:58:39,119

other protectors things like that so i

1490

00:58:42,950 --> 00:58:41,680

believe that the elections back in 2018

1491

00:58:45,109 --> 00:58:42,960

were fair

1492

00:58:48,789 --> 00:58:45,119

but i believe that was a mass

1493

00:58:51,589 --> 00:58:48,799

hysteria or something like that you know

1494

00:58:53,270 --> 00:58:51,599

i i got to visit sochi uh which i

1495

00:58:55,589 --> 00:58:53,280

thought was absolutely beautiful it was

1496

00:58:57,910 --> 00:58:55,599

a very beautiful part of russia

1497

00:58:59,829 --> 00:58:57,920

and and you know banana trees i was kind

1498

00:59:01,750 --> 00:58:59,839

of shocked and you can drive just

1499

00:59:03,270 --> 00:59:01,760

uh you know 45 minutes and you're in the

1500

00:59:06,150 --> 00:59:03,280

snow

1501

00:59:08,630 --> 00:59:06,160

but i also saw i walked by his

1502

00:59:11,349 --> 00:59:08,640

where he was staying at the time and

1503

00:59:13,910 --> 00:59:11,359

that was that was kind of a palace too i

1504

00:59:16,390 --> 00:59:13,920

don't know who owns that but uh but that

1505

00:59:19,270 --> 00:59:16,400

was uh that was another interesting

1506

00:59:21,990 --> 00:59:19,280

uh interesting place to see

1507

00:59:24,309 --> 00:59:22,000

which one was that

1508

00:59:26,630 --> 00:59:24,319

there's many there was a big oh there's

1509

00:59:28,390 --> 00:59:26,640

a big huge fence and right in front of

1510

00:59:30,950 --> 00:59:28,400

right in sochi and

1511

00:59:33,190 --> 00:59:30,960

it looked massive i don't know exactly

1512

00:59:36,069 --> 00:59:33,200

what exactly most likely it's it's

1513

00:59:38,710 --> 00:59:36,079

called bacharao from che

1514

00:59:41,270 --> 00:59:38,720

uh they pl that place is legit it's like

1515

00:59:43,990 --> 00:59:41,280

camp david in the united states

1516

00:59:46,230 --> 00:59:44,000

that's where all meetings with different

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00:59:48,069 --> 00:59:46,240

uh leaders of different countries take

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00:59:51,589 --> 00:59:48,079

place that's

1519

00:59:54,630 --> 00:59:51,599

100 official 100 you know legit

1520

00:59:56,309 --> 00:59:54,640

uh it's maintained by the government and

1521

00:59:59,990 --> 00:59:56,319

that's where

1522

01:00:01,270 --> 01:00:00,000

erdogan comes angel angela merkel

1523

01:00:02,950 --> 01:00:01,280

and

1524

01:00:05,030 --> 01:00:02,960

i don't think american presidents ever

1525

01:00:06,630 --> 01:00:05,040

came there but like presents of

1526

01:00:09,430 --> 01:00:06,640

different countries

1527

01:00:11,589 --> 01:00:09,440

they they come to moscow but sometimes

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01:00:13,829 --> 01:00:11,599

sometimes there are events in sochi

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01:00:15,190 --> 01:00:13,839

because sochi is such a you know popular

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01:00:16,390 --> 01:00:15,200

place in russia

1531

01:00:18,630 --> 01:00:16,400

then uh

1532

01:00:19,990 --> 01:00:18,640

they they go to sochi and then they meet

1533

01:00:23,430 --> 01:00:20,000

at bacharaon

1534

01:00:25,589 --> 01:00:23,440

and they can ski there and uh putin has

1535

01:00:29,270 --> 01:00:25,599

a few residences there

1536

01:00:30,309 --> 01:00:29,280

yeah yeah uh he loves to ski by the way

1537

01:00:32,230 --> 01:00:30,319

what's that

1538

01:00:35,349 --> 01:00:32,240

he loves to ski

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01:00:37,030 --> 01:00:35,359

oh oh i bet i bet and i know

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01:00:41,030 --> 01:00:37,040

i know a lot of

1541

01:00:43,510 --> 01:00:41,040

uh you know a lot of people in russia

1542

01:00:45,750 --> 01:00:43,520

a lot of women you hear say they love

1543

01:00:47,349 --> 01:00:45,760

putin he doesn't drink

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01:00:49,670 --> 01:00:47,359

that's kind of

1545

01:00:52,390 --> 01:00:49,680

what i hear them say you know like the

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01:00:55,270 --> 01:00:52,400

fact that he doesn't drink is uh

1547

01:00:56,870 --> 01:00:55,280

is something attractive to them as well

1548

01:00:58,710 --> 01:00:56,880

as of course him being

1549

01:01:00,950 --> 01:00:58,720

an extremely powerful

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01:01:04,150 --> 01:01:00,960

uh person and

1551

01:01:05,990 --> 01:01:04,160

you know i wonder how long uh his reign

1552

01:01:06,950 --> 01:01:06,000

will be how long he'll be in the

1553

01:01:09,430 --> 01:01:06,960

position

1554

01:01:12,549 --> 01:01:09,440

we will probably die and he'll still be

1555

01:01:17,750 --> 01:01:14,789

that that could be so i didn't want i

1556

01:01:19,829 --> 01:01:17,760

wanted to to uh talk about

1557

01:01:22,150 --> 01:01:19,839

uh quickly let's talk about

1558

01:01:25,430 --> 01:01:22,160

the differences between

1559

01:01:27,990 --> 01:01:25,440

russia and america um one of the things

1560

01:01:28,789 --> 01:01:28,000

i have to tell you that i noticed there

1561

01:01:32,710 --> 01:01:28,799

is

1562

01:01:34,470 --> 01:01:32,720

uh wait a minute we do have a question i

1563

01:01:36,069 --> 01:01:34,480

just want to pop this question up first

1564

01:01:37,670 --> 01:01:36,079

and i'll get back to that

1565

01:01:39,670 --> 01:01:37,680

what can you read it what are the

1566

01:01:40,870 --> 01:01:39,680

academic requirements to graduate from

1567

01:01:42,470 --> 01:01:40,880

high school

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01:01:43,829 --> 01:01:42,480

and are there scholarships offered by

1569

01:01:45,030 --> 01:01:43,839

the government to highly performing

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01:01:46,710 --> 01:01:45,040

students

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01:01:49,910 --> 01:01:46,720

thank you so much

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01:01:52,710 --> 01:01:49,920

simone thanks for the question

1573

01:01:55,190 --> 01:01:52,720

uh you are asking me this question from

1574

01:01:58,390 --> 01:01:55,200

a point of view of a person who lives

1575

01:02:00,309 --> 01:01:58,400

either in the usa or in europe because

1576

01:02:02,230 --> 01:02:00,319

you have completely different

1577

01:02:04,630 --> 01:02:02,240

educational system

1578

01:02:06,710 --> 01:02:04,640

uh in russia

1579

01:02:10,309 --> 01:02:06,720

well reversal the requirements of

1580

01:02:12,549 --> 01:02:10,319

graduating high school you must

1581

01:02:15,270 --> 01:02:12,559

you must get grades

1582

01:02:16,549 --> 01:02:15,280

when you go long you know you pass exams

1583

01:02:17,990 --> 01:02:16,559

every year you

1584

01:02:21,190 --> 01:02:18,000

you grade it

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01:02:22,630 --> 01:02:21,200

and your grades must be no less than

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01:02:25,190 --> 01:02:22,640

certain

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01:02:26,390 --> 01:02:25,200

grade in russia it's like one two three

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01:02:28,870 --> 01:02:26,400

four five

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01:02:29,829 --> 01:02:28,880

the lowest possible grade is three

1590

01:02:32,390 --> 01:02:29,839

okay

1591

01:02:35,430 --> 01:02:32,400

four is good five is excellent

1592

01:02:37,190 --> 01:02:35,440

uh so you must have at least grades of

1593

01:02:41,349 --> 01:02:37,200

level of three

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01:02:43,910 --> 01:02:41,359

and you must pass final exams

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01:02:46,230 --> 01:02:43,920

and you graduate high school and it's a

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01:02:49,109 --> 01:02:46,240

rigorous process to

1597

01:02:51,670 --> 01:02:49,119

graduate uh i know because my

1598

01:02:54,549 --> 01:02:51,680

uh oldest daughter oled just graduated

1599

01:02:57,990 --> 01:02:54,559

this past may and

1600

01:02:59,670 --> 01:02:58,000

she had started trust me had she studied

1601  
01:03:03,029 --> 01:02:59,680  
for entire year

1602  
01:03:04,150 --> 01:03:03,039  
non-stop okay she did really really well

1603  
01:03:07,589 --> 01:03:04,160  
she

1604  
01:03:09,349 --> 01:03:07,599  
uh did russian 100 which is unheard of

1605  
01:03:11,990 --> 01:03:09,359  
the society 100

1606  
01:03:14,309 --> 01:03:12,000  
english 90 you know very very high

1607  
01:03:15,589 --> 01:03:14,319  
grades but she put so much work into

1608  
01:03:16,470 --> 01:03:15,599  
that

1609  
01:03:18,390 --> 01:03:16,480  
in

1610  
01:03:20,470 --> 01:03:18,400  
uh scholarships

1611  
01:03:22,710 --> 01:03:20,480  
it used to be that education in russia

1612  
01:03:23,990 --> 01:03:22,720  
was high education was free

1613  
01:03:25,430 --> 01:03:24,000

okay

1614

01:03:28,549 --> 01:03:25,440

completely free

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01:03:30,789 --> 01:03:28,559

you if you pass uh entrance exam to the

1616

01:03:32,789 --> 01:03:30,799

school so there's like final exam

1617

01:03:36,069 --> 01:03:32,799

graduate high school and then there's

1618

01:03:39,829 --> 01:03:36,079

exam to enter to the university okay so

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01:03:41,510 --> 01:03:39,839

you must show the university that you uh

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01:03:44,549 --> 01:03:41,520

possess certain

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01:03:47,270 --> 01:03:44,559

degree of knowledge to be able to start

1622

01:03:49,270 --> 01:03:47,280

studying there and of course different

1623

01:03:52,870 --> 01:03:49,280

universities some are much more

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01:03:55,750 --> 01:03:52,880

prestigious they have higher uh barrier

1625

01:03:57,029 --> 01:03:55,760

to end enter and some are lower things

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01:04:00,789 --> 01:03:57,039

like that but

1627

01:04:03,190 --> 01:04:00,799

all education used to be free now um

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01:04:04,710 --> 01:04:03,200

sum of education is free

1629

01:04:07,589 --> 01:04:04,720

and uh

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01:04:09,829 --> 01:04:07,599

you pay for the rest of wrong you know

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01:04:11,190 --> 01:04:09,839

if if you're not super super super

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01:04:12,390 --> 01:04:11,200

talented

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01:04:13,190 --> 01:04:12,400

um

1634

01:04:15,190 --> 01:04:13,200

then

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01:04:16,870 --> 01:04:15,200

you you actually can go to university

1636

01:04:19,349 --> 01:04:16,880

but you pay for it

1637

01:04:21,589 --> 01:04:19,359

scholarships well it's not a scholarship

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01:04:23,910 --> 01:04:21,599

it's like complete

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01:04:26,630 --> 01:04:23,920

government pays everything you know

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01:04:29,190 --> 01:04:26,640

completely picks up your bill it's

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01:04:34,150 --> 01:04:29,200

offered to brilliant students but the

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01:04:39,829 --> 01:04:36,390

a lot of

1643

01:04:41,910 --> 01:04:39,839

children of connected people you know

1644

01:04:45,029 --> 01:04:41,920

in the higher ups in the government you

1645

01:04:47,029 --> 01:04:45,039

know state prosecutors judges children

1646

01:04:50,309 --> 01:04:47,039

they go and study for free

1647

01:04:51,910 --> 01:04:50,319

because uh you know they know people

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01:04:54,710 --> 01:04:51,920

if you know what i mean

1649

01:04:57,430 --> 01:04:54,720

uh but if you're extremely talented and

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01:05:00,549 --> 01:04:57,440

extremely bright then you can also

1651

01:05:02,630 --> 01:05:00,559

get high education for free but

1652

01:05:04,950 --> 01:05:02,640

even if you pay it's not much it's not

1653

01:05:06,309 --> 01:05:04,960

as much as you know universities cost in

1654

01:05:09,990 --> 01:05:06,319

the united states

1655

01:05:12,710 --> 01:05:10,000

uh a decent school here in moscow is

1656

01:05:14,069 --> 01:05:12,720

4 000 a year something like that 5 000 a

1657

01:05:15,670 --> 01:05:14,079

year

1658

01:05:17,990 --> 01:05:15,680

i see so

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01:05:19,349 --> 01:05:18,000

let's put i just asked a couple more

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01:05:20,470 --> 01:05:19,359

questions so

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01:05:23,430 --> 01:05:20,480

let's say

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01:05:24,710 --> 01:05:23,440

i lived all my life in russia and i had

1663

01:05:27,029 --> 01:05:24,720

a job

1664

01:05:30,150 --> 01:05:27,039

doing a taxi or something like that and

1665

01:05:31,750 --> 01:05:30,160

now i want to retire what's retirement

1666

01:05:34,390 --> 01:05:31,760

how does the government take care of

1667

01:05:37,589 --> 01:05:34,400

people that are at retirement age

1668

01:05:41,029 --> 01:05:37,599

once you reach certain age it used to be

1669

01:05:44,069 --> 01:05:41,039

55 for women and 64 men

1670

01:05:45,190 --> 01:05:44,079

uh and literally two years ago they

1671

01:05:47,510 --> 01:05:45,200

upped

1672

01:05:51,349 --> 01:05:47,520

the ages by five years

1673

01:05:54,230 --> 01:05:51,359

now it's 60 for women and 65 for men so

1674

01:05:56,309 --> 01:05:54,240

they basically stole five years

1675

01:05:57,510 --> 01:05:56,319

of our pensions okay that's the

1676

01:05:59,750 --> 01:05:57,520

government

1677

01:06:00,630 --> 01:05:59,760

um that's the story of its own you know

1678

01:06:01,670 --> 01:06:00,640

what i mean

1679

01:06:04,710 --> 01:06:01,680

but

1680

01:06:06,549 --> 01:06:04,720

once a man hits 65 he's officially

1681

01:06:09,109 --> 01:06:06,559

retired and he gets pension from the

1682

01:06:11,829 --> 01:06:09,119

government and the pension depends on

1683

01:06:13,990 --> 01:06:11,839

how many years he had been employed

1684

01:06:16,309 --> 01:06:14,000

and how much money he had brought in so

1685

01:06:18,390 --> 01:06:16,319

basically out of every paycheck that you

1686

01:06:19,990 --> 01:06:18,400

get some of it goes to the government to

1687

01:06:22,789 --> 01:06:20,000

the pension fund

1688

01:06:24,069 --> 01:06:22,799

uh my mom had been

1689

01:06:27,270 --> 01:06:24,079

well she was

1690

01:06:30,309 --> 01:06:27,280

she had a career of a accountant she was

1691

01:06:34,470 --> 01:06:30,319

a chief accountant for a large company

1692

01:06:36,789 --> 01:06:34,480

for a number of years 20 years

1693

01:06:40,870 --> 01:06:36,799

her pension is

1694

01:06:42,069 --> 01:06:40,880

200 right now a little less than 200 so

1695

01:06:45,510 --> 01:06:42,079

not much

1696

01:06:47,750 --> 01:06:45,520

right some people with lower pensions

1697

01:06:49,829 --> 01:06:47,760

and the highest pension i heard of a

1698

01:06:53,589 --> 01:06:49,839

regular person is

1699

01:06:55,349 --> 01:06:53,599

something like you know 300 350

1700

01:06:56,549 --> 01:06:55,359

in american dollars and of course if

1701

01:06:59,270 --> 01:06:56,559

we're talking about the government

1702

01:07:02,230 --> 01:06:59,280

employees for example kgb people

1703

01:07:04,390 --> 01:07:02,240

police uh military

1704

01:07:06,230 --> 01:07:04,400

they're probably from thousands to

1705

01:07:07,750 --> 01:07:06,240

fifteen hundred dollars per month

1706

01:07:08,870 --> 01:07:07,760

something like that so it's a huge

1707

01:07:11,029 --> 01:07:08,880

difference

1708

01:07:13,270 --> 01:07:11,039

wow yeah i mean that's

1709

01:07:15,750 --> 01:07:13,280

i can never figure out how people can

1710

01:07:18,309 --> 01:07:15,760

survive on the the two hundred dollars i

1711

01:07:19,109 --> 01:07:18,319

mean uh they barely

1712

01:07:24,069 --> 01:07:19,119

i

1713

01:07:27,029 --> 01:07:24,079

they barely they they just

1714

01:07:29,270 --> 01:07:27,039

they live on bread and water basically

1715

01:07:34,309 --> 01:07:29,280

terrible terrible well i do want to say

1716

01:07:36,549 --> 01:07:34,319

the one thing about the hospitality um i

1717

01:07:39,109 --> 01:07:36,559

i was with the people that i'm always

1718

01:07:40,390 --> 01:07:39,119

with when i was there and we stopped by

1719

01:07:42,150 --> 01:07:40,400

this house

1720

01:07:44,230 --> 01:07:42,160

where they're basically living off the

1721

01:07:45,109 --> 01:07:44,240

land they're very poor

1722

01:07:48,870 --> 01:07:45,119

and

1723

01:07:50,710 --> 01:07:48,880

grateful to have

1724

01:07:52,470 --> 01:07:50,720

a visitor you know they

1725

01:07:54,630 --> 01:07:52,480

pick their vegetables and hand them and

1726

01:07:56,630 --> 01:07:54,640

they're just i didn't understand a word

1727

01:07:59,190 --> 01:07:56,640

of anything they were saying but they

1728

01:08:02,150 --> 01:07:59,200

were just so much fun and so pleasant

1729

01:08:03,589 --> 01:08:02,160

and they it's hospitality it's a big

1730

01:08:06,150 --> 01:08:03,599

thing in russia

1731

01:08:07,750 --> 01:08:06,160

one of the big things right um

1732

01:08:10,390 --> 01:08:07,760

yes you wanted me to compare a few

1733

01:08:12,630 --> 01:08:10,400

things uh yeah so let's compare that to

1734

01:08:15,109 --> 01:08:12,640

america it's like you you meet someone

1735

01:08:16,789 --> 01:08:15,119

they're like hello and you know but but

1736

01:08:18,470 --> 01:08:16,799

in russia i see there's like gift

1737

01:08:21,030 --> 01:08:18,480

exchanging you bring something with you

1738

01:08:22,870 --> 01:08:21,040

when you visit someone yeah so what is

1739

01:08:24,630 --> 01:08:22,880

yeah so what are some of the differences

1740

01:08:26,789 --> 01:08:24,640

um

1741

01:08:29,430 --> 01:08:26,799

there's a big difference

1742

01:08:31,990 --> 01:08:29,440

in russia in it again we must take a

1743

01:08:34,309 --> 01:08:32,000

couple steps back it it

1744

01:08:36,789 --> 01:08:34,319

culturally we are

1745

01:08:40,550 --> 01:08:36,799

we share a lot of similarities with the

1746

01:08:43,829 --> 01:08:40,560

west but you see russia geographically

1747

01:08:45,590 --> 01:08:43,839

sits between the east and the west okay

1748

01:08:47,269 --> 01:08:45,600

the west europe and the united states

1749

01:08:48,390 --> 01:08:47,279

and the east china and all those

1750

01:08:51,430 --> 01:08:48,400

countries

1751

01:08:53,510 --> 01:08:51,440

and russia is a little bit of a hybrid

1752

01:08:56,229 --> 01:08:53,520

between the east and the west so a lot

1753

01:08:58,229 --> 01:08:56,239

of similarities values are the same but

1754

01:08:59,829 --> 01:08:58,239

there are some differences in

1755

01:09:01,430 --> 01:08:59,839

in russia

1756

01:09:02,709 --> 01:09:01,440

like the whole thing about the united

1757

01:09:06,309 --> 01:09:02,719

states is

1758

01:09:09,510 --> 01:09:06,319

uh if you like it's really great and

1759

01:09:11,189 --> 01:09:09,520

powerful to make yourself as a person to

1760

01:09:13,910 --> 01:09:11,199

start from zero

1761

01:09:14,630 --> 01:09:13,920

and rise up on the to the top and you

1762

01:09:16,709 --> 01:09:14,640

know

1763

01:09:18,149 --> 01:09:16,719

become a millionaire become business

1764

01:09:20,630 --> 01:09:18,159

owner become like i don't know a

1765

01:09:22,550 --> 01:09:20,640

politician or whatever but it's really

1766

01:09:24,229 --> 01:09:22,560

important that you

1767

01:09:26,229 --> 01:09:24,239

you oops

1768

01:09:29,110 --> 01:09:26,239

you're doing everything on your own by

1769

01:09:29,990 --> 01:09:29,120

yourself okay you're self-made man

1770

01:09:31,910 --> 01:09:30,000

right

1771

01:09:34,070 --> 01:09:31,920

that's what you guys take pride over and

1772

01:09:35,189 --> 01:09:34,080

i like that very much in russia it's

1773

01:09:37,990 --> 01:09:35,199

different

1774

01:09:40,550 --> 01:09:38,000

because here

1775

01:09:42,550 --> 01:09:40,560

you have to be in the clan

1776

01:09:47,430 --> 01:09:42,560

you have to be

1777

01:09:50,789 --> 01:09:49,030

who help you

1778

01:09:51,749 --> 01:09:50,799

you know for example if you want to

1779

01:09:54,550 --> 01:09:51,759

achieve

1780

01:09:56,630 --> 01:09:54,560

uh higher ranks in the police

1781

01:09:58,870 --> 01:09:56,640

you must have someone inside the police

1782

01:10:00,070 --> 01:09:58,880

helping you out pushing you so to speak

1783

01:10:01,669 --> 01:10:00,080

you know what i mean

1784

01:10:04,149 --> 01:10:01,679

if you want to become a politician

1785

01:10:05,750 --> 01:10:04,159

there's no way you can make yourself

1786

01:10:08,950 --> 01:10:05,760

because you're going to be standing

1787

01:10:10,709 --> 01:10:08,960

alone against a huge system of people

1788

01:10:12,229 --> 01:10:10,719

and those people will be helping their

1789

01:10:13,030 --> 01:10:12,239

own people and you're going to be in the

1790

01:10:15,510 --> 01:10:13,040

way

1791

01:10:16,950 --> 01:10:15,520

they're going to roll you over you know

1792

01:10:19,189 --> 01:10:16,960

like a tank

1793

01:10:21,350 --> 01:10:19,199

and uh so see that's the difference in

1794

01:10:22,950 --> 01:10:21,360

in russia when the russians hear that

1795

01:10:24,550 --> 01:10:22,960

that person doesn't belong like in the

1796

01:10:26,870 --> 01:10:24,560

united states he's a self-made mate

1797

01:10:28,390 --> 01:10:26,880

they're like what is he being proud

1798

01:10:30,630 --> 01:10:28,400

about you know what i mean

1799

01:10:32,310 --> 01:10:30,640

that's that's not cool it's cool to be

1800

01:10:34,630 --> 01:10:32,320

in the cloud it's cool to be connected

1801

01:10:38,470 --> 01:10:34,640

with people it's cool to be helped

1802

01:10:40,709 --> 01:10:38,480

you know and the same thing with uh

1803

01:10:42,070 --> 01:10:40,719

like when you go and visit someone in

1804

01:10:44,550 --> 01:10:42,080

their house

1805

01:10:47,110 --> 01:10:44,560

they really welcome you and they like

1806

01:10:49,030 --> 01:10:47,120

you and they feed you and then you can

1807

01:10:50,790 --> 01:10:49,040

sleep at their house they offer you

1808

01:10:51,910 --> 01:10:50,800

everything they offer to share their

1809

01:10:54,550 --> 01:10:51,920

life with you

1810

01:10:57,110 --> 01:10:54,560

yeah well that's an asian thing that

1811

01:11:00,470 --> 01:10:57,120

comes from asia because in asia people

1812

01:11:02,070 --> 01:11:00,480

think that you might be someone

1813

01:11:04,630 --> 01:11:02,080

who they can

1814

01:11:07,990 --> 01:11:04,640

uh benefit from in the future

1815

01:11:10,390 --> 01:11:08,000

you know or you can be someone who can

1816

01:11:13,030 --> 01:11:10,400

be included into their clan or you can

1817

01:11:14,149 --> 01:11:13,040

include them into your clan stuff like

1818

01:11:16,310 --> 01:11:14,159

that so

1819

01:11:18,550 --> 01:11:16,320

russians are not very problematic like

1820

01:11:20,870 --> 01:11:18,560

that but that that hospitality comes

1821

01:11:23,830 --> 01:11:20,880

from the east you see

1822

01:11:25,430 --> 01:11:23,840

where we are the clown society and

1823

01:11:27,910 --> 01:11:25,440

that's why

1824

01:11:30,070 --> 01:11:27,920

when we have a guest over it's like we

1825

01:11:32,310 --> 01:11:30,080

are ready to go out of our ways

1826  
01:11:34,070 --> 01:11:32,320  
completely to accommodate the guests

1827  
01:11:36,229 --> 01:11:34,080  
that's a tradition

1828  
01:11:39,030 --> 01:11:36,239  
and that is very nice tradition actually

1829  
01:11:41,270 --> 01:11:39,040  
you know it's uh it's fantastic russians

1830  
01:11:42,630 --> 01:11:41,280  
i always compare russians uh to

1831  
01:11:47,030 --> 01:11:42,640  
crocodiles

1832  
01:11:47,830 --> 01:11:47,040  
surface like on top but once you put

1833  
01:11:50,630 --> 01:11:47,840  
them

1834  
01:11:53,590 --> 01:11:50,640  
barely up billy is really like white and

1835  
01:11:55,750 --> 01:11:53,600  
very not so tough very soft you know so

1836  
01:11:57,430 --> 01:11:55,760  
that's how the russians when you walk to

1837  
01:11:58,709 --> 01:11:57,440  
a person on the street and start talking

1838  
01:12:00,310 --> 01:11:58,719

to a russian

1839

01:12:02,310 --> 01:12:00,320

you know probably going to be rude to

1840

01:12:03,990 --> 01:12:02,320

you like

1841

01:12:06,149 --> 01:12:04,000

don't talk to me they'll blow you off

1842

01:12:08,550 --> 01:12:06,159

but once oh

1843

01:12:11,110 --> 01:12:08,560

you are martin's friend or constituents

1844

01:12:13,669 --> 01:12:11,120

oh you came from america you know you

1845

01:12:15,189 --> 01:12:13,679

you cease to be a stranger to them okay

1846

01:12:16,790 --> 01:12:15,199

and you become like

1847

01:12:18,950 --> 01:12:16,800

their friend and that completely

1848

01:12:21,030 --> 01:12:18,960

different story they warm up to you and

1849

01:12:23,510 --> 01:12:21,040

they open up to you in the united states

1850

01:12:26,470 --> 01:12:23,520

that doesn't happen people are nice to

1851

01:12:28,390 --> 01:12:26,480

you and they're really like you ask you

1852

01:12:31,110 --> 01:12:28,400

how things going and stuff like that but

1853

01:12:32,470 --> 01:12:31,120

it doesn't go that much deeper than that

1854

01:12:34,390 --> 01:12:32,480

you know what i mean in russia it's

1855

01:12:36,070 --> 01:12:34,400

completely different

1856

01:12:39,110 --> 01:12:36,080

once you start getting to know the

1857

01:12:42,149 --> 01:12:39,120

person they'll let you into their life

1858

01:12:44,550 --> 01:12:42,159

that's the big difference

1859

01:12:46,470 --> 01:12:44,560

another situation that i have before we

1860

01:12:47,510 --> 01:12:46,480

move on just it just came to mind

1861

01:12:50,470 --> 01:12:47,520

recently

1862

01:12:52,709 --> 01:12:50,480

i was walking my dog down at the black

1863

01:12:55,350 --> 01:12:52,719

sea along the walkway there

1864

01:12:56,229 --> 01:12:55,360

and there was a woman

1865

01:12:58,709 --> 01:12:56,239

um

1866

01:13:00,550 --> 01:12:58,719

an elderly woman and

1867

01:13:02,550 --> 01:13:00,560

i was with my friend

1868

01:13:06,070 --> 01:13:02,560

and as soon as

1869

01:13:08,630 --> 01:13:06,080

my friend said oh he's from america

1870

01:13:11,110 --> 01:13:08,640

she gave me this look like she wanted to

1871

01:13:12,950 --> 01:13:11,120

kill me and then she talked to her other

1872

01:13:16,229 --> 01:13:12,960

friends like let's get him and push him

1873

01:13:19,750 --> 01:13:17,510

so uh

1874

01:13:22,070 --> 01:13:19,760

for the but for the most part how does

1875

01:13:25,030 --> 01:13:22,080

the average now this is no versus it's

1876

01:13:26,790 --> 01:13:25,040

away from you know it it's

1877

01:13:28,310 --> 01:13:26,800

maybe it's just that area but what is

1878

01:13:31,189 --> 01:13:28,320

the general

1879

01:13:32,950 --> 01:13:31,199

thought of americans on day to day is it

1880

01:13:34,470 --> 01:13:32,960

different in different parts of russia

1881

01:13:36,709 --> 01:13:34,480

is it

1882

01:13:37,669 --> 01:13:36,719

how do how are we looked at

1883

01:13:40,229 --> 01:13:37,679

uh

1884

01:13:41,750 --> 01:13:40,239

you used to be enemies when we lived in

1885

01:13:44,070 --> 01:13:41,760

the ussr

1886

01:13:47,110 --> 01:13:44,080

complete enemies we thought of the

1887

01:13:50,310 --> 01:13:47,120

americans as bloodthirsty

1888

01:13:53,590 --> 01:13:50,320

baby killers who are absolutely wants to

1889

01:13:56,149 --> 01:13:53,600

get into russia nuke us out and take our

1890

01:13:58,310 --> 01:13:56,159

children away and like you know put

1891

01:14:00,070 --> 01:13:58,320

their blood into the cops and drink it

1892

01:14:02,470 --> 01:14:00,080

that's that was the image of the

1893

01:14:05,590 --> 01:14:02,480

americans but then everything changed

1894

01:14:07,270 --> 01:14:05,600

overnight literally 1991

1895

01:14:09,110 --> 01:14:07,280

it's like

1896

01:14:11,669 --> 01:14:09,120

everything changed someone came on tv

1897

01:14:14,149 --> 01:14:11,679

and said well you know you guys were

1898

01:14:16,470 --> 01:14:14,159

hearing about that stuff all your life

1899

01:14:18,870 --> 01:14:16,480

well we just lied to you that's that's

1900

01:14:21,590 --> 01:14:18,880

kgb that's the communism there are no

1901

01:14:23,910 --> 01:14:21,600

good bombs they just lied okay and

1902

01:14:26,070 --> 01:14:23,920

everyone was like what

1903

01:14:27,110 --> 01:14:26,080

and uh all of a sudden america became

1904

01:14:29,590 --> 01:14:27,120

this

1905

01:14:31,750 --> 01:14:29,600

ray of light a beacon a beacon of

1906

01:14:34,390 --> 01:14:31,760

freedom a beacon of democracy the good

1907

01:14:35,590 --> 01:14:34,400

guys and we're all like wow americans

1908

01:14:37,510 --> 01:14:35,600

are our friends

1909

01:14:39,830 --> 01:14:37,520

and we started watching american movies

1910

01:14:41,590 --> 01:14:39,840

american companies you know started

1911

01:14:43,430 --> 01:14:41,600

selling their goods in russia little did

1912

01:14:44,630 --> 01:14:43,440

we know that that's not such a great

1913

01:14:45,990 --> 01:14:44,640

thing you know

1914

01:14:48,149 --> 01:14:46,000

we should have uh

1915

01:14:50,149 --> 01:14:48,159

we should have kept our own brands and

1916

01:14:52,550 --> 01:14:50,159

products but anyway

1917

01:14:55,030 --> 01:14:52,560

everything just turned absolutely

1918

01:14:56,470 --> 01:14:55,040

fantastically great americans became

1919

01:14:58,390 --> 01:14:56,480

friends

1920

01:15:01,030 --> 01:14:58,400

literally you remember those the

1921

01:15:03,750 --> 01:15:01,040

scorpions came to russia they did a huge

1922

01:15:06,390 --> 01:15:03,760

concert and you know singing down the

1923

01:15:09,910 --> 01:15:06,400

mosqua walking gorky park and all that

1924

01:15:12,229 --> 01:15:09,920

just oh it was great the 90s were

1925

01:15:13,590 --> 01:15:12,239

fantastic then putin came to power he

1926

01:15:16,229 --> 01:15:13,600

was young

1927

01:15:17,430 --> 01:15:16,239

inexperienced and he liked america so

1928

01:15:19,350 --> 01:15:17,440

much

1929

01:15:22,070 --> 01:15:19,360

he wanted to be included

1930

01:15:23,990 --> 01:15:22,080

he wanted to join nato he was telling

1931

01:15:26,310 --> 01:15:24,000

everyone on national tv he was

1932

01:15:28,550 --> 01:15:26,320

addressing the nation he was telling

1933

01:15:31,110 --> 01:15:28,560

they promised me that they're gonna take

1934

01:15:33,270 --> 01:15:31,120

russia into nato within two years we're

1935

01:15:37,270 --> 01:15:33,280

gonna be a part of nato soon

1936

01:15:39,990 --> 01:15:37,280

and then uh he was so pro-american pro

1937

01:15:42,630 --> 01:15:40,000

oriented to the west okay

1938

01:15:44,950 --> 01:15:42,640

he was always considered now russia is a

1939

01:15:47,350 --> 01:15:44,960

part of the west now russia is part of

1940

01:15:49,750 --> 01:15:47,360

the democrat democratic world and stuff

1941

01:15:52,070 --> 01:15:49,760

like that when 9 11 happened

1942

01:15:53,350 --> 01:15:52,080

the first country who called the first

1943

01:15:55,510 --> 01:15:53,360

president called

1944

01:15:56,390 --> 01:15:55,520

george w bush was putin he said what can

1945

01:15:58,709 --> 01:15:56,400

we do

1946

01:16:01,590 --> 01:15:58,719

he said well open russian airspace for

1947

01:16:03,830 --> 01:16:01,600

the planes to go and bomb afghanistan

1948

01:16:06,149 --> 01:16:03,840

putin didn't even ask one question why

1949

01:16:08,630 --> 01:16:06,159

would you bomb afghanistan he said done

1950

01:16:10,390 --> 01:16:08,640

deal and american bombers

1951

01:16:13,270 --> 01:16:10,400

flew over russia okay

1952

01:16:14,470 --> 01:16:13,280

that's how close putin he wanted to be

1953

01:16:17,189 --> 01:16:14,480

included

1954

01:16:18,870 --> 01:16:17,199

but the americans really well

1955

01:16:21,350 --> 01:16:18,880

they didn't want to include him and they

1956

01:16:24,149 --> 01:16:21,360

kept lying and lying and lying taking

1957

01:16:28,070 --> 01:16:24,159

advantage of putin and russia and then

1958

01:16:30,470 --> 01:16:28,080

everything changed in 2006 okay the tide

1959

01:16:32,790 --> 01:16:30,480

changed at first there was like little

1960

01:16:35,990 --> 01:16:32,800

changes here and there but then more and

1961

01:16:37,910 --> 01:16:36,000

more and more and when barack obama came

1962

01:16:39,189 --> 01:16:37,920

uh they had a personal conflict with

1963

01:16:40,070 --> 01:16:39,199

putin

1964

01:16:43,990 --> 01:16:40,080

they

1965

01:16:45,750 --> 01:16:44,000

don't know what that is but

1966

01:16:48,550 --> 01:16:45,760

uh that's when the things started

1967

01:16:50,630 --> 01:16:48,560

getting really bad

1968

01:16:52,070 --> 01:16:50,640

i don't know could have been putin could

1969

01:16:53,830 --> 01:16:52,080

have hit on

1970

01:16:55,350 --> 01:16:53,840

barack obama's wife or something like

1971

01:16:56,470 --> 01:16:55,360

that i think it was very personal you

1972

01:16:58,709 --> 01:16:56,480

know what i mean

1973

01:17:00,790 --> 01:16:58,719

um

1974

01:17:03,270 --> 01:17:00,800

and

1975

01:17:07,110 --> 01:17:03,280

america started kind of pushing russia

1976

01:17:10,470 --> 01:17:07,120

away more and more and alienating it and

1977

01:17:11,510 --> 01:17:10,480

you know it climaxed in 2014

1978

01:17:14,950 --> 01:17:11,520

and

1979

01:17:17,270 --> 01:17:14,960

from 2014 up to pretty much three weeks

1980

01:17:18,390 --> 01:17:17,280

ago america was

1981

01:17:22,470 --> 01:17:18,400

well

1982

01:17:26,870 --> 01:17:22,480

partners

1983

01:17:29,030 --> 01:17:26,880

like putin sanctions on us and stuff

1984

01:17:31,189 --> 01:17:29,040

like that okay so america like

1985

01:17:33,030 --> 01:17:31,199

became much

1986

01:17:35,990 --> 01:17:33,040

much um

1987

01:17:37,910 --> 01:17:36,000

how to say that a bleaker image like

1988

01:17:40,790 --> 01:17:37,920

more sinister image

1989

01:17:43,189 --> 01:17:40,800

became uh like like russian media

1990

01:17:45,910 --> 01:17:43,199

russian government started making a more

1991

01:17:47,189 --> 01:17:45,920

sinister image of the united states

1992

01:17:49,110 --> 01:17:47,199

and

1993

01:17:52,149 --> 01:17:49,120

it climaxed a couple weeks ago oh

1994

01:17:53,189 --> 01:17:52,159

actually a week ago putin just had

1995

01:17:54,950 --> 01:17:53,199

uh

1996

01:17:56,870 --> 01:17:54,960

a national address

1997

01:17:58,470 --> 01:17:56,880

addressed to the nation and he was asked

1998

01:18:00,790 --> 01:17:58,480

by i think new york times or one of the

1999

01:18:02,630 --> 01:18:00,800

western papers like

2000

01:18:03,669 --> 01:18:02,640

like we're not really happy what russia

2001

01:18:05,669 --> 01:18:03,679

is doing

2002

01:18:07,750 --> 01:18:05,679

and he basically said go to hell we're

2003

01:18:09,590 --> 01:18:07,760

gonna do what we you know you're not our

2004

01:18:11,750 --> 01:18:09,600

friends anymore you're our enemies we're

2005

01:18:13,590 --> 01:18:11,760

gonna do what we want to do we can

2006

01:18:15,750 --> 01:18:13,600

invade whatever whoever you like you can

2007

01:18:17,990 --> 01:18:15,760

invade afghanistan and iraq

2008

01:18:20,550 --> 01:18:18,000

no you cannot tell us anything we can do

2009

01:18:22,790 --> 01:18:20,560

whatever we want so basically i think a

2010

01:18:24,870 --> 01:18:22,800

week ago things have really gone from

2011

01:18:27,189 --> 01:18:24,880

bad to worse okay

2012

01:18:29,110 --> 01:18:27,199

so that's uh official image and of

2013

01:18:31,669 --> 01:18:29,120

course russian media has been pushing

2014

01:18:33,350 --> 01:18:31,679

this agenda of russia surrounded by the

2015

01:18:36,870 --> 01:18:33,360

enemies

2016

01:18:38,950 --> 01:18:36,880

since 2014 okay it's how politicians get

2017

01:18:40,870 --> 01:18:38,960

russian politicians get their points and

2018

01:18:41,750 --> 01:18:40,880

putin gets his points

2019

01:18:44,390 --> 01:18:41,760

uh

2020

01:18:47,189 --> 01:18:44,400

they are the ones protecting us regular

2021

01:18:49,110 --> 01:18:47,199

russian citizens from evil americans

2022

01:18:51,350 --> 01:18:49,120

from the enemies let's put it this way

2023

01:18:53,830 --> 01:18:51,360

from the enemies in russia is surrounded

2024

01:18:55,430 --> 01:18:53,840

by the enemies

2025

01:18:56,950 --> 01:18:55,440

that's to answer your question and then

2026

01:19:00,229 --> 01:18:56,960

um

2027

01:19:01,510 --> 01:19:00,239

those those old ladies uh trying to push

2028

01:19:03,990 --> 01:19:01,520

you to the black sea i'll tell you a

2029

01:19:07,709 --> 01:19:04,000

story okay i saw that with my own eyes

2030

01:19:10,470 --> 01:19:07,719

i came um back to rostov in

2031

01:19:12,390 --> 01:19:10,480

1998 okay

2032

01:19:15,910 --> 01:19:12,400

and i was visiting my relatives and the

2033

01:19:18,470 --> 01:19:15,920

story unfolded right in front of my eyes

2034

01:19:19,910 --> 01:19:18,480

imagine like an open bazaar a market

2035

01:19:21,830 --> 01:19:19,920

farmers market

2036

01:19:23,750 --> 01:19:21,840

and the guy has a huge truck of

2037

01:19:28,470 --> 01:19:23,760

watermelons

2038

01:19:30,550 --> 01:19:28,480

and he cannot push them

2039

01:19:32,950 --> 01:19:30,560

he can't sell them okay

2040

01:19:35,430 --> 01:19:32,960

and then he tries for a few hours then

2041

01:19:38,229 --> 01:19:35,440

he has a brilliant idea he gets a huge

2042

01:19:42,229 --> 01:19:38,239

piece of paper and it says uh

2043

01:19:44,790 --> 01:19:42,239

watermelons imported from america

2044

01:19:47,750 --> 01:19:44,800

and everyone was like wow

2045

01:19:50,310 --> 01:19:47,760

american watermelons great and everyone

2046

01:19:52,870 --> 01:19:50,320

starts buying them and the guy sells out

2047

01:19:54,229 --> 01:19:52,880

in hours okay and he leaves

2048

01:19:56,229 --> 01:19:54,239

disappears

2049

01:19:58,149 --> 01:19:56,239

turns out that the watermelons are no

2050

01:19:59,110 --> 01:19:58,159

good and people start getting sick from

2051

01:20:00,470 --> 01:19:59,120

them

2052

01:20:02,630 --> 01:20:00,480

okay they come back they bring

2053

01:20:03,590 --> 01:20:02,640

watermelons back to the market and he's

2054

01:20:05,990 --> 01:20:03,600

not there

2055

01:20:07,350 --> 01:20:06,000

and they start getting angry at who

2056

01:20:09,910 --> 01:20:07,360

the americans

2057

01:20:12,629 --> 01:20:09,920

right i i saw that with my own eyes the

2058

01:20:14,070 --> 01:20:12,639

old people like americans sent us this

2059

01:20:16,390 --> 01:20:14,080

watermelons

2060

01:20:18,950 --> 01:20:16,400

just to freaking make us you know get

2061

01:20:21,669 --> 01:20:18,960

sick you know why and there was a huge

2062

01:20:22,790 --> 01:20:21,679

ordeal for a couple days but that just

2063

01:20:25,590 --> 01:20:22,800

tells you

2064

01:20:26,950 --> 01:20:25,600

the story of why some people don't like

2065

01:20:28,229 --> 01:20:26,960

americans because they've been

2066

01:20:29,669 --> 01:20:28,239

brainwashed

2067

01:20:32,550 --> 01:20:29,679

okay and then

2068

01:20:35,350 --> 01:20:32,560

uh i mean i i know better i i'm half

2069

01:20:37,750 --> 01:20:35,360

american myself have russian okay but i

2070

01:20:40,310 --> 01:20:37,760

know it's completely bogus but if you

2071

01:20:43,030 --> 01:20:40,320

keep on hearing from everywhere and

2072

01:20:44,870 --> 01:20:43,040

you're not bright enough to like you

2073

01:20:47,990 --> 01:20:44,880

know if you don't know english you

2074

01:20:50,550 --> 01:20:48,000

cannot read any other news media you can

2075

01:20:53,189 --> 01:20:50,560

only read russian here russian what they

2076

01:20:55,669 --> 01:20:53,199

get to say year after year

2077

01:20:58,149 --> 01:20:55,679

they brainwash you saying that america

2078

01:21:00,709 --> 01:20:58,159

is bad then you start believing okay

2079

01:21:03,270 --> 01:21:00,719

that's pretty bad actually i i think

2080

01:21:05,830 --> 01:21:03,280

that actually goes both ways if you ask

2081

01:21:08,149 --> 01:21:05,840

me you know we hear a lot from the media

2082

01:21:09,830 --> 01:21:08,159

against russia too and

2083

01:21:13,110 --> 01:21:09,840

but um

2084

01:21:14,950 --> 01:21:13,120

crimea along these lines so crimea is

2085

01:21:17,350 --> 01:21:14,960

annexed now i

2086

01:21:19,270 --> 01:21:17,360

personally have spoken to someone you

2087

01:21:20,070 --> 01:21:19,280

know through a translator

2088

01:21:25,830 --> 01:21:20,080

that

2089

01:21:26,629 --> 01:21:25,840

they were thrilled

2090

01:21:28,229 --> 01:21:26,639

uh

2091

01:21:30,550 --> 01:21:28,239

you know i mean there's both sides of

2092

01:21:33,270 --> 01:21:30,560

that is all i'm getting at um there were

2093

01:21:35,270 --> 01:21:33,280

some people that were really happy that

2094

01:21:37,189 --> 01:21:35,280

russia took over crimea i know it's i

2095

01:21:38,950 --> 01:21:37,199

know the bridge was a big problem

2096

01:21:41,030 --> 01:21:38,960

there's a lot of problems

2097

01:21:42,870 --> 01:21:41,040

um you know but uh

2098

01:21:45,270 --> 01:21:42,880

what are your overall thoughts about

2099

01:21:47,430 --> 01:21:45,280

that whole situation uh

2100

01:21:49,110 --> 01:21:47,440

let let me answer this question about

2101  
01:21:50,629 --> 01:21:49,120  
crimea and that's gonna take me quite a

2102  
01:21:52,950 --> 01:21:50,639  
few minutes because i

2103  
01:21:55,669 --> 01:21:52,960  
i actually took a job at crimea after

2104  
01:21:57,750 --> 01:21:55,679  
the revolution and i spent a year

2105  
01:21:59,430 --> 01:21:57,760  
my father is from crimea and i have tons

2106  
01:22:00,709 --> 01:21:59,440  
of relatives living there

2107  
01:22:03,430 --> 01:22:00,719  
and uh i

2108  
01:22:06,310 --> 01:22:03,440  
used both bridge and i used whatever was

2109  
01:22:08,149 --> 01:22:06,320  
there before bridge you know but after i

2110  
01:22:09,510 --> 01:22:08,159  
i answered martin we have a few

2111  
01:22:11,750 --> 01:22:09,520  
questions there

2112  
01:22:13,430 --> 01:22:11,760  
uh yes i'm gonna i'm gonna pop up a few

2113  
01:22:14,870 --> 01:22:13,440

sure yeah okay

2114

01:22:16,390 --> 01:22:14,880

crimea

2115

01:22:19,430 --> 01:22:16,400

cremia is very

2116

01:22:20,790 --> 01:22:19,440

very shady area okay

2117

01:22:22,709 --> 01:22:20,800

uh

2118

01:22:25,750 --> 01:22:22,719

crimea belonged to russia

2119

01:22:27,350 --> 01:22:25,760

until 1956

2120

01:22:29,350 --> 01:22:27,360

i believe

2121

01:22:32,070 --> 01:22:29,360

and um

2122

01:22:34,790 --> 01:22:32,080

my father was born in crimea in 1952 and

2123

01:22:37,990 --> 01:22:34,800

he was born in russia he got his russian

2124

01:22:40,950 --> 01:22:38,000

passport not ukrainian well it was the

2125

01:22:43,350 --> 01:22:40,960

soviet passport back then but um they

2126  
01:22:46,149 --> 01:22:43,360  
they put like where you were born like

2127  
01:22:48,470 --> 01:22:46,159  
in which republic and my father said

2128  
01:22:50,550 --> 01:22:48,480  
russia my father's password

2129  
01:22:53,910 --> 01:22:50,560  
but he was born in crimea

2130  
01:22:56,310 --> 01:22:53,920  
then there was uh

2131  
01:22:58,550 --> 01:22:56,320  
some kind of ordeal within higher-ups of

2132  
01:23:01,830 --> 01:22:58,560  
the communist party

2133  
01:23:03,910 --> 01:23:01,840  
and nikita khrushchev was ukrainian

2134  
01:23:06,229 --> 01:23:03,920  
himself and you know who he was right he

2135  
01:23:08,149 --> 01:23:06,239  
was running soviet union for 10 years

2136  
01:23:09,910 --> 01:23:08,159  
and he wanted to do something nice to

2137  
01:23:13,110 --> 01:23:09,920  
ukraine his home

2138  
01:23:17,110 --> 01:23:13,120

home republic okay home place

2139

01:23:18,790 --> 01:23:17,120

and then he made a decree that uh put

2140

01:23:20,470 --> 01:23:18,800

crimea under

2141

01:23:24,229 --> 01:23:20,480

uh kiev's

2142

01:23:26,149 --> 01:23:24,239

uh tears so to speak management

2143

01:23:29,030 --> 01:23:26,159

so it's like for example there are two

2144

01:23:31,830 --> 01:23:29,040

states maine and new hampshire right

2145

01:23:33,750 --> 01:23:31,840

and there's cumberland county no that's

2146

01:23:35,990 --> 01:23:33,760

york county let's put it this way your

2147

01:23:38,629 --> 01:23:36,000

county and your county is far from

2148

01:23:41,430 --> 01:23:38,639

augusta it's not really convenient for

2149

01:23:44,229 --> 01:23:41,440

people to go to augusta and do all the

2150

01:23:46,870 --> 01:23:44,239

things and stuff like that and then

2151  
01:23:50,310 --> 01:23:46,880  
uh people in washington decide for the

2152  
01:23:52,149 --> 01:23:50,320  
sake of uh

2153  
01:23:53,430 --> 01:23:52,159  
simplicity

2154  
01:23:56,470 --> 01:23:53,440  
let's

2155  
01:24:00,550 --> 01:23:56,480  
change the states uh the borders of the

2156  
01:24:03,510 --> 01:24:00,560  
states and let's uh york county have

2157  
01:24:05,350 --> 01:24:03,520  
is a part of new hampshire now

2158  
01:24:07,110 --> 01:24:05,360  
and boom just like that it's a done deal

2159  
01:24:10,310 --> 01:24:07,120  
it's the same country it's same people

2160  
01:24:11,350 --> 01:24:10,320  
same laws but it's just administrative

2161  
01:24:12,550 --> 01:24:11,360  
uh

2162  
01:24:14,790 --> 01:24:12,560  
yeah

2163  
01:24:17,510 --> 01:24:14,800

border is like

2164

01:24:19,669 --> 01:24:17,520

your county belongs to new hampshire now

2165

01:24:20,950 --> 01:24:19,679

i hope i explained that uh so you

2166

01:24:23,430 --> 01:24:20,960

understand

2167

01:24:25,189 --> 01:24:23,440

okay that was crimea and then of course

2168

01:24:28,470 --> 01:24:25,199

soviet union fell apart there was a

2169

01:24:31,030 --> 01:24:28,480

question uh russia almost bought crimea

2170

01:24:33,030 --> 01:24:31,040

for a few hundred million dollars back

2171

01:24:35,270 --> 01:24:33,040

in 1991 but

2172

01:24:37,590 --> 01:24:35,280

uh it didn't you know they didn't push

2173

01:24:39,350 --> 01:24:37,600

hard enough i guess nielsen got drunk

2174

01:24:41,110 --> 01:24:39,360

there are rumors that he got drunk and

2175

01:24:42,790 --> 01:24:41,120

he didn't yet he didn't wait until

2176

01:24:45,030 --> 01:24:42,800

signing the papers

2177

01:24:46,790 --> 01:24:45,040

uh that crimea would go back to russia

2178

01:24:48,790 --> 01:24:46,800

and then he left for moscow

2179

01:24:49,590 --> 01:24:48,800

ukrainian president got pissed on the

2180

01:24:50,629 --> 01:24:49,600

you know

2181

01:24:52,070 --> 01:24:50,639

the

2182

01:24:53,350 --> 01:24:52,080

deal fell apart

2183

01:24:55,669 --> 01:24:53,360

okay

2184

01:24:57,510 --> 01:24:55,679

now comes 2014

2185

01:25:00,629 --> 01:24:57,520

but the thing is

2186

01:25:02,390 --> 01:25:00,639

most people like 90 of people who were

2187

01:25:04,310 --> 01:25:02,400

born and live in crimea they're like my

2188

01:25:06,790 --> 01:25:04,320

father they speak russian they're

2189

01:25:08,950 --> 01:25:06,800

russian they have roots in russia

2190

01:25:10,950 --> 01:25:08,960

and they have nothing to do with ukraine

2191

01:25:12,550 --> 01:25:10,960

whatsoever okay

2192

01:25:16,550 --> 01:25:12,560

and uh

2193

01:25:19,350 --> 01:25:16,560

from 1991 to 2014 there were tensions

2194

01:25:20,470 --> 01:25:19,360

between the russian population of crimea

2195

01:25:22,790 --> 01:25:20,480

and

2196

01:25:26,310 --> 01:25:22,800

ukrainians the kiev

2197

01:25:27,270 --> 01:25:26,320

uh because keith was pushing agenda like

2198

01:25:28,070 --> 01:25:27,280

to

2199

01:25:30,310 --> 01:25:28,080

make

2200

01:25:31,830 --> 01:25:30,320

the first language ukrainian but the

2201

01:25:33,590 --> 01:25:31,840

people in crimea they would just

2202

01:25:35,910 --> 01:25:33,600

literally flood the streets and say hey

2203

01:25:37,669 --> 01:25:35,920

no we speak russian and this is the way

2204

01:25:38,550 --> 01:25:37,679

we're gonna do it so there were tensions

2205

01:25:42,790 --> 01:25:38,560

okay

2206

01:25:45,830 --> 01:25:42,800

and then 2014 things happened in ukraine

2207

01:25:50,950 --> 01:25:48,070

there were a lot of nazis

2208

01:25:53,669 --> 01:25:50,960

taking over kiev okay and then taking

2209

01:25:56,470 --> 01:25:53,679

overheark of large ukrainian cities

2210

01:25:58,870 --> 01:25:56,480

and they were really killing it well not

2211

01:26:01,030 --> 01:25:58,880

sure about killing but threatening uh

2212

01:26:03,350 --> 01:26:01,040

russian-speaking population because

2213

01:26:05,590 --> 01:26:03,360

ukraine is like 50 50.

2214

01:26:06,470 --> 01:26:05,600

half speaks russian f speaks ukrainian

2215

01:26:10,149 --> 01:26:06,480

right

2216

01:26:12,950 --> 01:26:10,159

and uh entire ukraine fell under uh

2217

01:26:14,870 --> 01:26:12,960

power of these people like real nazis

2218

01:26:17,270 --> 01:26:14,880

they called neo-nazis okay they have

2219

01:26:18,629 --> 01:26:17,280

swastikas and they're on their flags and

2220

01:26:21,270 --> 01:26:18,639

stuff like that

2221

01:26:22,390 --> 01:26:21,280

uh as all battalion

2222

01:26:25,110 --> 01:26:22,400

people like that

2223

01:26:27,750 --> 01:26:25,120

and they threatened crimea is like a

2224

01:26:30,470 --> 01:26:27,760

peninsula it's like an island okay

2225

01:26:33,990 --> 01:26:30,480

uh if they threatened

2226

01:26:36,390 --> 01:26:34,000

uh ukraine uh crimea they said okay now

2227

01:26:37,350 --> 01:26:36,400

it's your turn we're gonna go there and

2228

01:26:39,590 --> 01:26:37,360

if you

2229

01:26:41,030 --> 01:26:39,600

uh insist on speaking russian standing

2230

01:26:42,790 --> 01:26:41,040

up as russians

2231

01:26:46,229 --> 01:26:42,800

you know you're gonna be

2232

01:26:49,110 --> 01:26:46,239

uh dealt with okay and a lot of people

2233

01:26:51,830 --> 01:26:49,120

got scared and this is where putin i

2234

01:26:53,430 --> 01:26:51,840

don't know his bodies or whatever

2235

01:26:57,990 --> 01:26:53,440

anyway the russian

2236

01:27:00,310 --> 01:26:58,000

troops uh flew over the strait to crimea

2237

01:27:03,270 --> 01:27:00,320

and basically took it over

2238

01:27:05,510 --> 01:27:03,280

okay they did not have a massive

2239

01:27:08,310 --> 01:27:05,520

invasion basically what they did they

2240

01:27:09,430 --> 01:27:08,320

put people in the capital of crimeas in

2241

01:27:10,790 --> 01:27:09,440

philippi

2242

01:27:13,590 --> 01:27:10,800

in the senate

2243

01:27:16,709 --> 01:27:13,600

and they let people decide whether they

2244

01:27:20,149 --> 01:27:16,719

want to remain in ukraine or she's to

2245

01:27:22,870 --> 01:27:20,159

secede and and jew and russia okay and i

2246

01:27:24,629 --> 01:27:22,880

can tell you that um i cannot give you

2247

01:27:26,870 --> 01:27:24,639

the legal uh

2248

01:27:28,870 --> 01:27:26,880

explanation whether it was legal or not

2249

01:27:29,910 --> 01:27:28,880

there are different opinions

2250

01:27:32,629 --> 01:27:29,920

i've heard

2251  
01:27:35,270 --> 01:27:32,639  
but i can certainly tell you for sure

2252  
01:27:37,189 --> 01:27:35,280  
but people of crimea

2253  
01:27:39,510 --> 01:27:37,199  
90

2254  
01:27:42,709 --> 01:27:39,520  
they absolutely were pro-russian and

2255  
01:27:43,590 --> 01:27:42,719  
they wanted to leave ukraine and jew in

2256  
01:27:44,950 --> 01:27:43,600  
russia

2257  
01:27:47,030 --> 01:27:44,960  
well again

2258  
01:27:48,790 --> 01:27:47,040  
i'm not sure whether it was legal or not

2259  
01:27:51,830 --> 01:27:48,800  
from an international point of view i'm

2260  
01:27:54,950 --> 01:27:51,840  
not a uh like a lawyer okay

2261  
01:27:57,350 --> 01:27:54,960  
but the people they were russian and

2262  
01:27:58,149 --> 01:27:57,360  
they remained to be russian and they

2263  
01:28:00,950 --> 01:27:58,159

still

2264

01:28:02,709 --> 01:28:00,960

uh most of them you know they're welcome

2265

01:28:06,550 --> 01:28:02,719

that decision that was made seven years

2266

01:28:08,629 --> 01:28:06,560

ago now the story that i have

2267

01:28:10,870 --> 01:28:08,639

my father was born there i have family

2268

01:28:13,110 --> 01:28:10,880

in crimea they still live in crimea and

2269

01:28:15,189 --> 01:28:13,120

i love the place that's my number one

2270

01:28:17,030 --> 01:28:15,199

place in russia it's absolutely

2271

01:28:18,149 --> 01:28:17,040

beautiful it's got great climate the

2272

01:28:20,070 --> 01:28:18,159

black sea

2273

01:28:23,110 --> 01:28:20,080

and i visited crimea a few times the

2274

01:28:25,590 --> 01:28:23,120

last time before when it was ukrainian i

2275

01:28:28,310 --> 01:28:25,600

was there in 2013 i actually drove from

2276

01:28:29,590 --> 01:28:28,320

rust off and i drove all around crimea

2277

01:28:32,390 --> 01:28:29,600

okay

2278

01:28:34,629 --> 01:28:32,400

and then comes 2014 and

2279

01:28:37,270 --> 01:28:34,639

de facto it's russian

2280

01:28:39,030 --> 01:28:37,280

and i drive there just to to look around

2281

01:28:41,189 --> 01:28:39,040

and i go with the bridges right now

2282

01:28:42,390 --> 01:28:41,199

there was no bridge but they were just

2283

01:28:44,390 --> 01:28:42,400

huge ships

2284

01:28:48,229 --> 01:28:44,400

uh going back and forth transporting

2285

01:28:49,750 --> 01:28:48,239

cars so i ended up staying in line for

2286

01:28:51,830 --> 01:28:49,760

18 hours

2287

01:28:53,669 --> 01:28:51,840

yeah i've heard that i heard that uh

2288

01:28:57,590 --> 01:28:53,679

yeah i was stuck but you know what it's

2289

01:28:59,510 --> 01:28:57,600

not a big deal i remember with uh

2290

01:29:01,669 --> 01:28:59,520

with it's good memories i met some

2291

01:29:03,910 --> 01:29:01,679

people you know we were just sharing

2292

01:29:06,550 --> 01:29:03,920

food we're making jokes it was just sort

2293

01:29:08,870 --> 01:29:06,560

of adventure okay not very convenient

2294

01:29:10,950 --> 01:29:08,880

but hey and then i was offered the job

2295

01:29:14,149 --> 01:29:10,960

at crimea i spent working there for one

2296

01:29:16,229 --> 01:29:14,159

year managing like a huge 2000 room

2297

01:29:19,030 --> 01:29:16,239

hotel resort there

2298

01:29:27,350 --> 01:29:22,629

when i was driving one day like in

2299

01:29:29,990 --> 01:29:27,360

june 2014 right i was pulled over

2300

01:29:33,110 --> 01:29:30,000

by a car a car just you know passed me

2301

01:29:36,229 --> 01:29:33,120

and started pushing me so i could stop

2302

01:29:38,229 --> 01:29:36,239

and i stopped and i my my car has moscow

2303

01:29:39,910 --> 01:29:38,239

license plate so they could say i was

2304

01:29:41,430 --> 01:29:39,920

from moscow right and the car was

2305

01:29:43,430 --> 01:29:41,440

ukrainian because

2306

01:29:44,629 --> 01:29:43,440

all licensed played back then they were

2307

01:29:46,790 --> 01:29:44,639

ukraine it was a really strange

2308

01:29:48,950 --> 01:29:46,800

situation because like

2309

01:29:51,830 --> 01:29:48,960

you know for example maine

2310

01:29:53,590 --> 01:29:51,840

being american it becomes canadian the

2311

01:29:55,750 --> 01:29:53,600

canadian police comes in you know

2312

01:29:58,390 --> 01:29:55,760

canadian everything is like wow what the

2313

01:30:01,669 --> 01:29:58,400

heck is going on anyway it was strange

2314

01:30:03,030 --> 01:30:01,679

uh so i stop and the two older ladies

2315

01:30:04,229 --> 01:30:03,040

come out

2316

01:30:06,149 --> 01:30:04,239

and they say

2317

01:30:08,070 --> 01:30:06,159

ask me if i was if i'm from moscow i'm

2318

01:30:11,110 --> 01:30:08,080

like yeah i'm from moscow

2319

01:30:13,430 --> 01:30:11,120

and they start thanking me saying thank

2320

01:30:15,430 --> 01:30:13,440

you so much we're so glad that we're

2321

01:30:17,270 --> 01:30:15,440

part of russia now okay

2322

01:30:20,229 --> 01:30:17,280

and they're like we have some wine would

2323

01:30:23,110 --> 01:30:20,239

you like wine i'm like no i don't i'm

2324

01:30:24,870 --> 01:30:23,120

okay you know i'm driving well let us

2325

01:30:26,709 --> 01:30:24,880

feed you we have some food we have some

2326

01:30:29,030 --> 01:30:26,719

uh you know sandwiches and stuff like

2327

01:30:31,189 --> 01:30:29,040

that they were ecstatic i was with my

2328

01:30:31,990 --> 01:30:31,199

wife and we couldn't believe it we were

2329

01:30:34,709 --> 01:30:32,000

like

2330

01:30:36,390 --> 01:30:34,719

wow this is insane just to show you the

2331

01:30:39,430 --> 01:30:36,400

spirit of people

2332

01:30:41,990 --> 01:30:39,440

after crimea joined russia it was

2333

01:30:43,110 --> 01:30:42,000

fantastic they were graffiti of putin

2334

01:30:45,270 --> 01:30:43,120

everywhere

2335

01:30:47,189 --> 01:30:45,280

like putin is our savior you know

2336

01:30:49,189 --> 01:30:47,199

welcome to russia we just want to be

2337

01:30:50,790 --> 01:30:49,199

part of russia and stuff like

2338

01:30:52,470 --> 01:30:50,800

some of the graffitis are still there

2339

01:30:53,430 --> 01:30:52,480

it's just like they faded you know what

2340

01:30:56,709 --> 01:30:53,440

i mean

2341

01:30:58,709 --> 01:30:56,719

but um i mentioned earlier unfortunately

2342

01:31:02,070 --> 01:30:58,719

i have i have someone coming in for an

2343

01:31:05,350 --> 01:31:02,080

appointment coming up but um

2344

01:31:07,270 --> 01:31:05,360

i mentioned earlier that

2345

01:31:09,110 --> 01:31:07,280

you know from what i understood is

2346

01:31:11,510 --> 01:31:09,120

exactly what you're saying

2347

01:31:13,750 --> 01:31:11,520

in the united states we never heard that

2348

01:31:16,390 --> 01:31:13,760

part of it i never heard that part of it

2349

01:31:18,550 --> 01:31:16,400

on any news media in the united states

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01:31:20,550 --> 01:31:18,560

just that it was a horrible situation

2351

01:31:23,590 --> 01:31:20,560

and a terrible thing so that just goes

2352

01:31:27,030 --> 01:31:23,600

to show we we don't hear all sides

2353

01:31:28,070 --> 01:31:27,040

um anyway and uh thank you for for doing

2354

01:31:29,750 --> 01:31:28,080

that i want to run through these

2355

01:31:31,990 --> 01:31:29,760

questions real quickly

2356

01:31:34,070 --> 01:31:32,000

i have to actually rap in about uh 10

2357

01:31:35,510 --> 01:31:34,080

minutes so this question i'm not sure if

2358

01:31:38,149 --> 01:31:35,520

you're going to be able to help this

2359

01:31:39,590 --> 01:31:38,159

person or not with any advice

2360

01:31:41,270 --> 01:31:39,600

but uh

2361

01:31:42,629 --> 01:31:41,280

uh you want to read that i'll i'll read

2362

01:31:44,790 --> 01:31:42,639

it out loud i've been to russia eight

2363

01:31:48,390 --> 01:31:44,800

times married my fiance in moscow in

2364

01:31:50,709 --> 01:31:48,400

2013. now because of a legal problem

2365

01:31:52,790 --> 01:31:50,719

that i had back in 1998 the state

2366

01:31:54,149 --> 01:31:52,800

department will not allow me to

2367

01:31:56,950 --> 01:31:54,159

allow

2368

01:31:58,070 --> 01:31:56,960

my wife i'm not sure exactly

2369

01:32:00,070 --> 01:31:58,080

that could have been written a little

2370

01:32:02,149 --> 01:32:00,080

better but i don't i think they're

2371

01:32:04,870 --> 01:32:02,159

saying they can't bring their wife in

2372

01:32:07,430 --> 01:32:04,880

the united in the united states i i

2373

01:32:09,110 --> 01:32:07,440

certainly cannot help with that um yeah

2374

01:32:11,110 --> 01:32:09,120

i think that if you live in the united

2375

01:32:13,830 --> 01:32:11,120

states you have better luck dealing with

2376

01:32:15,030 --> 01:32:13,840

the us state department that i i just i

2377

01:32:17,030 --> 01:32:15,040

don't know

2378

01:32:19,270 --> 01:32:17,040

yeah uh i know there were some other

2379

01:32:21,430 --> 01:32:19,280

questions i'm looking for them meanwhile

2380

01:32:24,229 --> 01:32:21,440

while i'm looking um

2381

01:32:25,830 --> 01:32:24,239

can you give out your information on how

2382

01:32:26,470 --> 01:32:25,840

people can find your channels down in

2383

01:32:33,270 --> 01:32:26,480

the

2384

01:32:35,590 --> 01:32:33,280

and put that out if you would hey it's

2385

01:32:37,189 --> 01:32:35,600

it's uh i don't know how to put it on

2386

01:32:39,590 --> 01:32:37,199

but it's really easy if you guys want to

2387

01:32:42,550 --> 01:32:39,600

check it out it's called inside russia

2388

01:32:43,669 --> 01:32:42,560

very simple go and just search for it

2389

01:32:45,669 --> 01:32:43,679

um

2390

01:32:47,910 --> 01:32:45,679

yeah it's right it's very easy to find

2391

01:32:50,629 --> 01:32:47,920

and again it's linked down below here's

2392

01:32:53,910 --> 01:32:50,639

a question from john

2393

01:32:55,910 --> 01:32:53,920

uh about melvani and putin centered

2394

01:32:57,110 --> 01:32:55,920

censored that's pretty well known that

2395

01:33:01,510 --> 01:32:57,120

that

2396

01:33:05,030 --> 01:33:01,520

but thanks for the question

2397

01:33:07,430 --> 01:33:05,040

you know yeah yeah we covered that um

2398

01:33:09,910 --> 01:33:07,440

now i do want to i want to close on this

2399

01:33:11,669 --> 01:33:09,920

uh basically

2400

01:33:14,070 --> 01:33:11,679

constantine what was what would you say

2401  
01:33:16,550 --> 01:33:14,080  
was the most magnificent or the most

2402  
01:33:17,590 --> 01:33:16,560  
impressive difference between our two

2403  
01:33:20,390 --> 01:33:17,600  
countries

2404  
01:33:22,709 --> 01:33:20,400  
when you arrived in america what really

2405  
01:33:24,709 --> 01:33:22,719  
hit you uh

2406  
01:33:27,030 --> 01:33:24,719  
when i arrived to america right what

2407  
01:33:28,950 --> 01:33:27,040  
what was different in america well

2408  
01:33:30,870 --> 01:33:28,960  
america is like different from any

2409  
01:33:32,470 --> 01:33:30,880  
country in the world i think it's the

2410  
01:33:33,750 --> 01:33:32,480  
most wonderful country in the world

2411  
01:33:35,430 --> 01:33:33,760  
because

2412  
01:33:36,709 --> 01:33:35,440  
the values

2413  
01:33:38,950 --> 01:33:36,719

and

2414

01:33:40,790 --> 01:33:38,960

the freedoms that people enjoy in the

2415

01:33:42,870 --> 01:33:40,800

spirit okay

2416

01:33:45,510 --> 01:33:42,880

um

2417

01:33:48,070 --> 01:33:45,520

i i talked earlier about how in america

2418

01:33:52,229 --> 01:33:48,080

it's great to be a self-man-made

2419

01:33:55,110 --> 01:33:52,239

self-made man uh and

2420

01:33:56,149 --> 01:33:55,120

i love i love the

2421

01:33:58,149 --> 01:33:56,159

base

2422

01:33:59,990 --> 01:33:58,159

the sort of like the basis what your

2423

01:34:01,910 --> 01:34:00,000

country stands on

2424

01:34:04,310 --> 01:34:01,920

i love that um

2425

01:34:06,870 --> 01:34:04,320

you are absolutely free like for example

2426

01:34:08,870 --> 01:34:06,880

when i came to america and then i was

2427

01:34:10,950 --> 01:34:08,880

talking to americans and they they

2428

01:34:12,629 --> 01:34:10,960

learned those russian and sometimes we

2429

01:34:14,709 --> 01:34:12,639

didn't agree on something

2430

01:34:17,189 --> 01:34:14,719

the americans said okay you know what i

2431

01:34:20,470 --> 01:34:17,199

totally disagree with you but

2432

01:34:23,110 --> 01:34:20,480

uh so you understand i will fight and

2433

01:34:25,669 --> 01:34:23,120

die for your right to have

2434

01:34:29,350 --> 01:34:25,679

your own opinion even though i disagree

2435

01:34:31,350 --> 01:34:29,360

with you okay and it was absolutely

2436

01:34:33,830 --> 01:34:31,360

absolutely something new to me okay and

2437

01:34:37,030 --> 01:34:33,840

it's still to this day it's great

2438

01:34:39,270 --> 01:34:37,040

another thing was great was um

2439

01:34:42,470 --> 01:34:39,280

you know i started with zero experience

2440

01:34:44,950 --> 01:34:42,480

basically and through hard work and

2441

01:34:46,709 --> 01:34:44,960

some thinking i started making good

2442

01:34:49,510 --> 01:34:46,719

money and i started growing as a

2443

01:34:50,870 --> 01:34:49,520

professional okay in russia like i said

2444

01:34:53,270 --> 01:34:50,880

before

2445

01:34:55,750 --> 01:34:53,280

for me to grow as professional no hard

2446

01:34:58,229 --> 01:34:55,760

work needed no smarts needed i just have

2447

01:35:00,709 --> 01:34:58,239

to be connected with someone nephew or

2448

01:35:03,189 --> 01:35:00,719

son of a judge prosecutor or whatever

2449

01:35:05,750 --> 01:35:03,199

you know but in america was absolutely

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01:35:07,350 --> 01:35:05,760

different you're valued by your judge by

2451

01:35:09,189 --> 01:35:07,360

the results

2452

01:35:12,310 --> 01:35:09,199

by the value that you bring to the

2453

01:35:14,470 --> 01:35:12,320

company to the society and you know of

2454

01:35:16,950 --> 01:35:14,480

course i absolutely adore freedoms that

2455

01:35:17,750 --> 01:35:16,960

you have for example freedom to bear

2456

01:35:20,550 --> 01:35:17,760

uh

2457

01:35:22,390 --> 01:35:20,560

to own the firearm that's that's

2458

01:35:24,790 --> 01:35:22,400

fantastic i mean

2459

01:35:25,669 --> 01:35:24,800

this is absolutely insanely fantastic to

2460

01:35:27,109 --> 01:35:25,679

me

2461

01:35:29,430 --> 01:35:27,119

um

2462

01:35:31,030 --> 01:35:29,440

yeah i mean i was there in russia when

2463

01:35:33,750 --> 01:35:31,040

the gentleman had to turn in his

2464

01:35:37,750 --> 01:35:36,070

this was just a couple of years ago

2465

01:35:39,750 --> 01:35:37,760

he brought into a gun

2466

01:35:41,830 --> 01:35:39,760

i can't remember how far away we drove

2467

01:35:43,270 --> 01:35:41,840

but he actually he turned them and i

2468

01:35:45,350 --> 01:35:43,280

think he got the government paid him

2469

01:35:47,430 --> 01:35:45,360

some type of money for them i'm not sure

2470

01:35:50,229 --> 01:35:47,440

what that was about but it was like old

2471

01:35:52,070 --> 01:35:50,239

family uh you know shotgun that he had

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01:35:53,590 --> 01:35:52,080

or something yeah

2473

01:35:55,990 --> 01:35:53,600

russian government doesn't like people

2474

01:35:58,149 --> 01:35:56,000

to own guns okay but when i first got to

2475

01:35:59,350 --> 01:35:58,159

maine i met people who were

2476

01:36:01,830 --> 01:35:59,360

just uh

2477

01:36:03,990 --> 01:36:01,840

american rifle association members and

2478

01:36:06,310 --> 01:36:04,000

they were just shooting like twice a

2479

01:36:08,390 --> 01:36:06,320

year and they took me out in the woods

2480

01:36:10,790 --> 01:36:08,400

and they gave me all kinds of like m16

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01:36:13,189 --> 01:36:10,800

ak-47 i couldn't believe it because

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that's the stuff is impossible in russia

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but in the united states

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uh everyone knows that another person

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can be armed and therefore you don't

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01:36:24,229 --> 01:36:21,840

mess with the person that's it plain and

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01:36:25,990 --> 01:36:24,239

simple you know what i mean how what

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better can you get

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so what else

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uh basically your the constitution that

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is so precious for the americans and so

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protected

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and no one can touch the constitution

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that was such a great difference between

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russia then another huge thing was the

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independence of court system

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because in russian courts the decision

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can be

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well procured

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but in the united states uh

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in 99 of the cases you know it's honest

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it's fair you have to have a good lawyer

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you have to put up a fight but it's fair

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you know what i mean

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that's what uh

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the whole system is fair based on

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01:37:11,830 --> 01:37:09,520

fairness

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and this is what uh what i love uh

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01:37:15,350 --> 01:37:14,239

unfortunately it was lacking in russia

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and it's still

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many things are still lacking and many

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things have gotten much worse ever since

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01:37:23,669 --> 01:37:21,199

i you know

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01:37:25,590 --> 01:37:23,679

left russia in 96

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01:37:27,990 --> 01:37:25,600

yeah well thank you so much it's been a

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01:37:30,390 --> 01:37:28,000

real pleasure you're a gentleman and uh

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01:37:32,550 --> 01:37:30,400

your english is perfect and and thank

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01:37:34,550 --> 01:37:32,560

you so much for joining us today

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01:37:36,629 --> 01:37:34,560

martin thank you so much it's been it's

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01:37:38,709 --> 01:37:36,639

been a pleasure and uh again merry

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01:37:41,510 --> 01:37:38,719

christmas and happy new year i'm gonna

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be doing a live stream uh how russian

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family celebrates my family celebrates

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01:37:48,229 --> 01:37:46,320

new year it's gonna be right on new year

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01:37:50,390 --> 01:37:48,239

in russian new year so and it's a big

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01:37:52,629 --> 01:37:50,400

deal in russia yeah it's the biggest

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01:37:54,790 --> 01:37:52,639

holiday for us huge celebration so i'm

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01:37:56,709 --> 01:37:54,800

inviting you to come and join and see

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01:37:57,910 --> 01:37:56,719

the stream on my channel i'll make uh

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01:37:59,669 --> 01:37:57,920

premiere

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01:38:03,030 --> 01:37:59,679

and uh everyone else

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01:38:04,950 --> 01:38:03,040

please come and join me us my family

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01:38:07,270 --> 01:38:04,960

all right you take care thank you thank

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01:38:08,629 --> 01:38:07,280

you you too thank you all right

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01:38:10,550 --> 01:38:08,639

all right everyone so thanks so much

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01:38:12,629 --> 01:38:10,560

remember in order to see what's coming

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01:38:13,910 --> 01:38:12,639

up next you need to subscribe to the

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01:38:15,830 --> 01:38:13,920

channel and click the little bell and

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01:38:17,270 --> 01:38:15,840

you'll get a notification

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01:38:19,750 --> 01:38:17,280

thank you for hanging in with us and

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01:38:41,520 --> 01:38:19,760

thank you for the good questions in chat

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01:38:44,280 --> 01:38:43,750

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