



**EXPULSIONS OF SOVIET
OFFICIALS WORLDWIDE, 1982**

January 1983

The expulsion of Soviet representatives from foreign countries continued throughout 1982. Based on publicly available information, 49 Soviet officials were expelled worldwide in 1982, up from 27 in 1981. Among others, Indonesia, Great Britain, Portugal, Sweden, Costa Rica, and Bangladesh expelled Soviet diplomats implicated in activities ranging from traditional espionage to the establishment of spy networks and the attempted acquisition of embargoed technology.

Expulsions of Soviet Officials by Region, 1981-82

	1981	1982
Africa	2	*
Asia/Pacific	6	7
Western Hemisphere	10	19
Europe	*	23
Middle East	9	*

*No expulsions publicly acknowledged.

Most recorded expulsions concerned intelligence operatives under cover as diplomats or military personnel. Other Soviets identified as spies in 1982 were posing as airline and trade officials.

In some countries, deportation usually occurs regularly on an annual or even semiannual basis. Italy and Great Britain, for example, expelled Soviet officials on espionage and other charges for the last three consecutive years. During the last 12 years, the Netherlands has taken expulsion actions against Soviet operatives in 1970, 1972, 1975, 1978, and 1981. Canada took similar actions in 1974, 1976, 1977, 1980, and 1982. Because many governments prefer not to publicize deportations of Soviet diplomats, the total number of expellees, as in previous years, is higher than the public record would indicate. (See annex for a partial alphabetical listing of those Soviets expelled worldwide during the past 12 years, together with the date and place of expulsion.)

ASIA/PACIFIC

Bangladesh

April 8, 1982: Bangladesh authorities expelled two Soviet Embassy attaches, Lomovsky and Kirichuk, on espionage charges. They were arrested March 31 near a roadside jungle in Jovdevpur, about 25 miles from Dacca, while attempting to burn 588 rolls of movie film.

Indonesia

February 6, 1982: Indonesian authorities expelled Lt. Col. Sergey Yegorov, assistant military attaché at the Soviet Embassy in Jakarta, for espionage. According to press reports, Yegorov was apprehended with a camera and film he had received from an Indonesian military officer at a local restaurant 2 nights before. Other reports alleged he was involved in a local narcotics smuggling operation.

February 13, 1982: Indonesian Government expelled Aleksandr Finenko, an Aeroflot representative in Jakarta identified as a GRU officer, and Gregor Odariouk, an Embassy attaché. Finenko was expelled on charges of espionage and Odariouk for attempting to prevent Finenko's arrest when Finenko was trying to leave the country with Lt. Col. Yegorov.

Singapore

February 22, 1982: Anatoliy Larkin, second secretary and press officer at the Soviet Embassy in Singapore, and Aleksandr Bondarev, a Soviet marine superintendent overseeing repairs of Soviet merchant vessels at a local shipyard, were both expelled by Singapore on espionage charges. Larkin allegedly represented himself as a Swedish journalist and tried to obtain sensitive military information from a local army officer. Bondarev was accused of running an intelligence network since October 1979.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Canada

April 1, 1982: Canadian authorities expelled Mikhail Abramov, Soviet trade representative in Ottawa, on espionage charges. Abramov attempted to purchase and illegally export to the U.S.S.R. high-technology communications equipment which Western countries have agreed not to sell to the Soviet Union.

Costa Rica

November 11, 1982: Costa Rican authorities ordered 17 Soviet diplomats to leave the country. In addition, the visas of two Soviet couriers, who routinely traveled between Costa Rica and Nicaragua, were canceled. The drastic cutback in the size of the Soviet mission will leave an ambassador and eight embassy functionaries in the country.

United States

February 3, 1982: Vasiliy Chitov, an identified Soviet military intelligence (GRU) agent and the highest ranking military officer at the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D.C., was expelled on espionage charges. According to press reports, Chitov had incriminating documents in his possession when he was apprehended by U.S. authorities after a high-speed car chase through the city.

EUROPE¹

Great Britain

February 27, 1982: V. F. Zadneprovskiy, an official attached to the Soviet trade delegation in London, was apprehended attempting to obtain classified information and expelled.

December 5, 1982: British authorities expelled for espionage Captain Anatolly Zotov, naval attaché at the Soviet Embassy in London since January 1982 and identified as a senior GRU officer. He was the highest ranking Soviet to be declared persona non grata in Britain since 1971 and the third charged with espionage in the last 18 months. Zotov was accused of attempting to set up an agent network to obtain British military secrets.

Italy

December 7, 1982: An unidentified Soviet diplomat was expelled on espionage charges, according to press reports.

December 17, 1982: Lt. Col. Ivan Kheliag, Soviet assistant military attaché in Rome, was expelled on espionage charges. According to the Rome daily *Il Tempo*, Kheliag attempted to obtain NATO defense plans.

Norway

February 5, 1982: Oleg Dokudovskiy and Yevgeniy Vopilovskiy, both assigned to the Soviet trade mission in Oslo and identified as GRU operatives, were expelled on espionage charges. According to press accounts, Dokudovskiy and Vopilovskiy tried to bribe key members of companies under subcontract to a consortium working on an F-16 project. They also endeavored to set up Norwegian front companies to reexport high-technology U.S. products to the U.S.S.R.

¹While no expulsions of Soviets officials were announced by the Federal Republic of Germany in 1982, a report issued mid-year by the F.R.G.'s Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution (BFV) stated that in 1981 about 109 Soviets officially in the F.R.G. and Berlin were considered active intelligence officers, and 77 more suspects. According to BFV figures, thirty-one Soviet intelligence operatives, including the military attaché staff, work out of the Soviet Embassy in Bonn, 6 in the U.S.S.R.'s trade office in Cologne, 13 in the Hamburg Consulate General, and 50 in the Soviet military missions in Baden-Baden, Buende, and Frankfurt. Other intelligence operatives include a Soviet correspondent and a "Sovexportfilm" employee in Bonn.

Portugal

January 22, 1982: Portuguese authorities announced Press Counselor Yuri Babyants and Attaché Mikhail Morozov, both with the Soviet Embassy in Lisbon since 1978, had been requested to leave, presumably for attempted espionage.

March 4, 1982: Concerned about the size of Soviet bloc diplomatic missions, the Portuguese Government asked the Soviet, Polish, and East German Embassies in Lisbon each to reduce their staffs by 30%. Those ordered to leave the country were Soviet Third Secretaries Vladimir Gordeyev, Sergey Riyabiv, and Vyacheslav Rybchak, Attaché Vladimir Novokhatsky; Deputy Commercial Representative Vyacheslav Obidin; Deputy Air Attaché Oleg Doubas. Also expelled were First Secretary Stanislav Raczka and Deputy Commercial attaches Andrzej Dabrowski and Jerzy Bardski, from the Polish Embassy, and Charge d'Affaires Manfred Bleskin and attaches Herbert Staadt and Erhard Schmidt of the East Germany Embassy.

Spain

April 28, 1982: Two employees of Aeroflot in Madrid, Director Vasiliy Fedorin and engineer Vladimir Tirtishnikov, were expelled on espionage charges. The expulsions came after nearly 1 week of reports in the Spanish press that the government had detected two Soviet GRU officers working under cover at the local Aeroflot office. Fedorin tried to infiltrate the Spanish Air Force to ascertain its attitudes toward Spain's entry into NATO. Fedorin was in contact with press and military personnel concerned with the sale of U.S. weapons to Spain; Tirtishnikov with individuals in electronic companies who work on industrial security matters and military communications.

Sweden

April 1982: Albert Liepa, Soviet Vice Consul in Stockholm, left Sweden after being charged with attempting to infiltrate and influence the Latvian exile community in Sweden. According to press reports, Liepa had intensified his activities significantly as the Polish crisis evolved.

December 23, 1982: Yuriy Averine, Soviet consul in Gothenburg, and Lt. Col. Piotr Skirokiy, assistant military attaché of the Soviet Embassy in Stockholm, were declared persona non grata for espionage. Anatoliy Kotyev, a non-diplomatic Soviet official at the Soviet shipping registry in Gothenburg, also was charged. The Swedish daily Svenska Dagbladet quoted sources at the National Police headquarters as saying that the diplomats were interested in "electronic components, technical ideas, and details from the drawing boards of Swedish industry." Another paper, Expressen, noted that the Soviets had attempted to recruit agents among technicians and scientists in advanced electronics and defense industries. During 1981 alone, Soviet intelligence operatives made about 15 recruitment attempts. The paper also stated that nearly 80 accredited Soviet diplomats in Sweden work for either the KGB or GRU.

Switzerland

April 4, 1982: The Swiss Justice Ministry announced that two unidentified Soviet diplomats had left Switzerland earlier in the year. One, an assistant to the Soviet military attaché posted in Bern, had been collecting information about a third country and was in possession of incriminating documents when detained by police after a meeting with an informant. The other, a consular section employee at Geneva who had been in Switzerland for 4 years, was arrested after trying to persuade a Swiss contact to seek a Foreign Ministry job.

August 21, 1982: Leonid Barabonov, Aeroflot director in Geneva, left Switzerland “under suspicion of espionage” after being questioned by Swiss police, according to a Justice Ministry spokesman. According to the same statement, 240 cases of espionage, most of them implicating Soviet and Eastern-bloc citizens, had been uncovered in Switzerland since 1948.

ANNEX

Partial Alphabetical Listing of Soviet Officials Expelled Worldwide, 1970-82*

Abramov, Mikhail (4-1-82: Canada)	Khlystov, V. (3-30-78: Nether lands)	Poperechniy, Vladimir (4-79: Liberia)
Aleksandrov, Vladimir (2-13-70: Italy)	Kinyapin, Andrey (5-80: Italy)	Popov, Yuriy (5-78: Spain)
Aleksanyan, Eduard (1-21-80: Canada)	Kirichuk (4-8-82: Bangladesh)	Printsipalov, A. (1-28-77: Norway)
Averine, Yuriy (12-23-82: Sweden)	Kiselev, A.A. (7-75: Netherlands)	Reztsov, Oleg (2-9-78: Canada)
Babyants, Yuriy (1-22-82: Portugal)	Kiselev, Yuriy (2-80: Equatorial Guinea)	Reztsov, Vera (2-9-78: Canada)
Barabonov, Leonid (8-21-82: Switzerland)	Klimanov, Evgenya (1-28-77: Norway)	Riyabiv, Sergey (3-4-82: Portugal)
Bardeyev, Igor (1-21-80: Canada)	Kolosov, A. (1-19-74: China)	Romanov, Vladislav (7-13-81: Malaysia)
Baykov, Vladlen (6-81: Pakistan)	Konyayev, Vladimir (8-20-80: Portugal)	Rybchak, Vyacheslav (3-4-82: Portugal)
Besedin, Timor (4-1-81: Norway)	Kotyev, Anatoliy (12-23-82: Sweden)	Savin, Nikolai (2-12-70: Switzerland)
Bogomolov, Eugene (8-22-76: Switzerland)	Krasilnikov, Anatoliy (2-16-80: Spain)	Semenov, U. (1-19-74: China)
Bondarev, Aleksandr (2-22-82: Singapore)	Kulagin, Aleksandr (8-20-80: Portugal)	Semenychev, Yuriy (8-20-80: Portugal)
Borishpolets, Vadim (2-9-78: Canada)	Larkin, Anatoliy (2-22-82: Singapore)	Sharovatov, Vladimir (5-6-70: Netherlands)
Bukreyev, Vladimir (6-6-78: Switzerland)	Lazarev, Vadim (8-81: Bangladesh)	Sherstnev, Lev (6-22-71: Great Britain)
Burmistrov, G. (3-30-78: Netherlands)	Lazin, Viktor (8-4-81: Great Britain)	Skirokiy, Pyotr (12-23-82: Sweden)
Bychkov, Yuriy (3-27-81: Spain)	Lellenrum, Pyotr (2-9-78: Canada)	Smirnov, Valeriy (7-77: Canada)
Chernysh, Yuriy (8-19-79: Costa Rica)	Leonov, Vadim (4-15-81: Nether lands)	Sofinsky, Vsevolod (1-24-80: New Zealand, Soviet Ambassador)
Cheryayev, S. (3-30-78: Netherlands)	Liepa, Albert (4-82: Sweden)	Sokolov, Vladimir (1-21-80: Canada)
Chitov, Vasilii (2-4-82: United States)	Lobanov, A. (4-7-72: Netherlands)	Solovyev, Mikhail (10-16-76: France)
Chusovitin, Valery (6-22-71: Great Britain)	Lomovsky (4-8-82: Bangladesh)	Stepanov, Gennadiy (7-13-81: Malaysia)
Dementev, Aleksandr (1-28-77: Norway)	Lopukhov, I. (3-30-78: Nether lands)	Sterlikov, Aleksey (2-12-70: Switzerland)
Diakonov, Dimitri (3-21-71: Mexico. Previously expelled from Argentina (1959) and Brazil (1963))	Makarov, M. (4-7-72: Netherlands)	Suranov, Oleg (2-14-80: Spain)
Dokudovskiy, Oleg (2-5-82: Norway)	Mamontov, Yuriy (11-7-70: Argentina)	Suvorov, Vladimir (2-9-78: Canada)
Doubas, Oleg (3-4-82: Portugal)	Marchenko, V. (1-19-74: China)	Sveshnikov, Gennadiy (7-4-77: Spain)
Fedorin, Vasilii (4-28-82: Spain)	Matveyev, Albert (8-20-80: Portugal)	Talanov, Nikolai (2-9-78: Canada)
Finenko, Aleksandr (2-13-82: Indonesia)	Merkulov, Vladimir (10-81: Denmark)	Timoshkin, Mikhail (4-79: Liberia)
Frolov, Vyacheslav (2-28-80: France)	Mesropov, Valeriy (9-19-70: Norway)	Tirtishnikov, Vladimir (4-28-82: Spain)
Geyvandov, Konstantin (1-74: Canada)	Mikhailin, Anatoliy (2-9-78: Canada)	Titov, Gennadiy (2-7-77: Norway)
Golovanov, Vladimir (6-30-80: Iran)	Mironenko, Yevgeniy (4-1-81: Norway)	Travkov, Gennadiy (2-9-80: France)
Goloviatenko, Yuriy (3-6-81: Spain)	Mordovyets, Aleksandr (1-22-82: Portugal)	Trekhebov, Igor (4-79: Liberia)
Gordeyev, Vladimir (3-4-82: Portugal)	Morozov, Mikhail (3-18-81: Liberia)	Trofimov, Vitaliy (2-7-80: Canada)
Illarionov, A.N. (4-7-72: Netherlands)	Muzyken, Aven (6-26-78: Switzerland)	Tuzikov, Konstantin (9-3-77: Sri Lanka)
Ivashavich, Gennadiy (2-9-78: Canada)	Myagkov, Gregori (6-26-78: Switzerland)	Vartanyan, Igor (2-9-78: Canada)
Izachtirinsky, Igor (1-28-77: Norway)	Netrebskiy, Boris (5-6-70: Netherlands)	Vassiliev, Vladimir (12-10-76: Canada)
Kablov, Yevgeniy (2-9-78: Canada)	Novokhatsky, Vladimir (3-4-82: Portugal)	Vopilovskiy, Yevgeniy (2-5-82: Norway)
Kanvasky (2-75: India)	Obidin, Vyacheslav (3-4-82: Portugal)	Yabov, Yuriy (111-7-70: Argentina)
Kapba, Envar (9-3-77: Sri Lanka)	Odariouk, Gregor (2-13-82: Indonesia)	Yefremkov, Vladimir (3-6-81: Spain)
Khamidulin, Zardat (7-13-81: Malaysia)	Orlov, Mikhail (8-2-71: Sudan)	Yegorov, Sergey (2-6-82: Indonesia)
Kheliag, Ivan (12-17-82: Italy)	Oshkaderov, Vladimir (2-9-78: Canada)	Yerofeyev, Valeriy (4-11-73: Norway)
	Penkov, Viktor (7-1-78: France)	Ysayev, Yuriy (4-78: Spain)
	Petrov, Georgiy (4-1-81: Norway)	Zadneprovskiy, V.F. (2-27-82: Great Britain)
	Petrov, Valentin (4-2-81: Liberia)	Zamoisky, Lolli (2-13-70: Italy)
	Plvovarov, Yuriy (3-77: Spain)	Zazulin, Anatoliy (1-7-81: Italy)
	Poleschuk, A. (3-30-78: Netherlands)	Zolotukhin, Aleksey (8-81: Bangladesh)
	Polyakov, Vladimir (9-15-81: Egypt, Soviet Ambassador)	Zotin, Evgenya (1-28-77: Norway)
	Polyushkin, Yuriy (4-11-73: Norway)	Zotov, Anatoliy (12-5-82: Great Britain)

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