

# INFO WAR SPECIAL



## WHAT IS FASCISM?




**Fascism\* is  
pure evil.**

**Fascism means  
the malformation  
of minds,  
destruction and  
death. This is a  
lesson that we,  
the people of the  
free world, have  
learned from the  
20th century.**

**\*An antidemocratic  
regime with a  
populistic leader  
who encourages  
agressive foreign  
and domestic  
policy.**

**- Dr. Hist. Gatis Krūmiņš**



Meanwhile, considering the history of fascism, modern day Russia has learned something entirely different. This country believes that fascist “values” are a good tool to enslave its own nation and any free peoples it can reach.

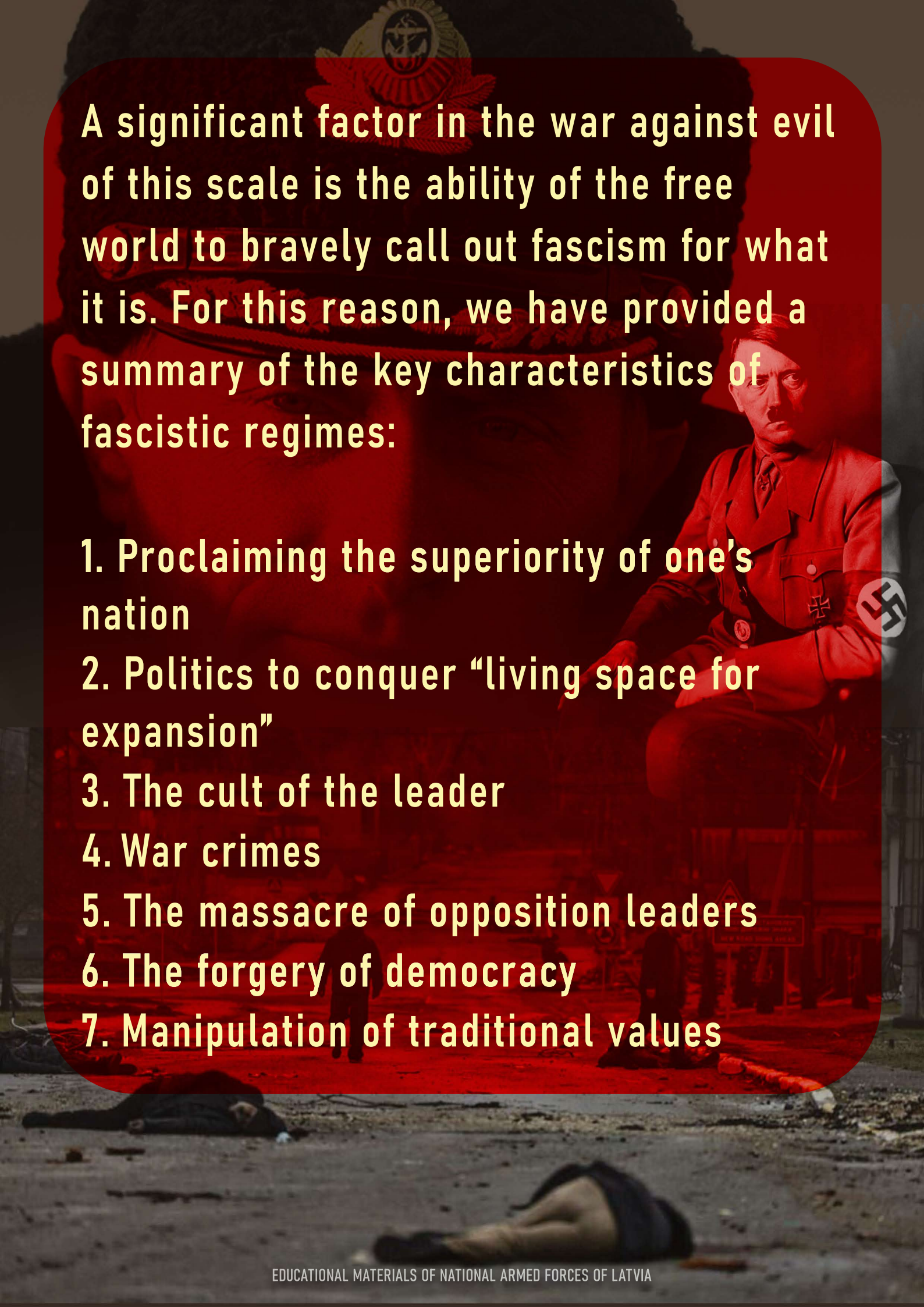
## **Великая Русская Победа**

Russia has modernized fascism and is using it to destroy and degrade anyone who shows resistance. Fascism is a means to control minds and the lives of individuals as well as justify any criminal action.

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Today, Russia is known for its use of loud slogans, which are used to accuse anyone who disagrees with Russia as being fascist. However, the loud slogans do not hide the fact that the only fascist country in today's world is Russia itself.





**A significant factor in the war against evil of this scale is the ability of the free world to bravely call out fascism for what it is. For this reason, we have provided a summary of the key characteristics of fascist regimes:**

- 1. Proclaiming the superiority of one's nation**
- 2. Politics to conquer "living space for expansion"**
- 3. The cult of the leader**
- 4. War crimes**
- 5. The massacre of opposition leaders**
- 6. The forgery of democracy**
- 7. Manipulation of traditional values**

# 1. PROCLAIMING THE SUPERIORITY OF ONE'S NATION

Modern day Russia's postulated "Russian World" is openly copying similar doctrines to those of Italy and Germany during the interwar period. Fascist regimes proclaim which nations have the right to exist and which are to be assimilated or executed. The patriotism of any nation is interpreted as "nacism", which indirectly implies, that the "Russian World" is able to spread beyond borders, while other nations have no right to self-determination. That is one of the reasons why the Kremlin is pouring great efforts in sustaining the narrative, "Latvia is a failed state".

## 2. POLITICS TO CONQUER “LIVING SPACE FOR EXPANSION”

All fascist regimes have aimed at expanding their sphere of influence and Kremlin's regime is no exception. Russia openly declares its intentions to reclaim the territories of former Soviet Union. Just like fascist Italy and Germany, today's Russia is executing imperialistic military aggression, aimed at the occupation of neighboring territories (Georgia, Ukraine, Belarus). This is emphasized by Kremlin's frequently expressed threats to the neighboring countries and postulations that these countries have no right to exist.



### 3. THE CULT OF THE LEADER

The leader is mystified and positioned as a superhuman figure. There is absolute conformity to the cult of the leader, where no differing views are acceptable. These principles are established as early as in kindergardens and schools. The censorship and control over media and other sources of information continues to increase.





## 4. WAR CRIMES

Just like in Germany and Italy during WW2, modern day Russia is installing concentration camps (sometimes calling them 'filtration camps'), where prisoners of war and civilians are being tortured and killed.

## 5. THE MASSACRE OF OPPOSITION LEADERS

Similar to Germany and Italy, where fascist regimes organized a massacre of their opposition ("Night of the Long Knives" in 1934 Germany, the murderer of Giacomo Matteotti, the leader of trade union in 1924 Italy), Russia is also systematically and demonstratively destroying all opposition. Examples include the murder of Boris Nemtsov in 2015 and the poisoning of Aleksej Navalnyj in 2020. Currently, all of Russia's opposition leaders are imprisoned, while a large number have been forced into exile.

## 6. THE FORGERY OF DEMOCRACY

Fascist regimes always claim that “democracy is against the interests of the nation” and “incapable of expressing the nation’s will”. Possibly, that is why Russia proclaims that it has its own “special” model of democracy, unlike any other in the world. Voting is forged in order to manipulate with public opinion and the opinion of representatives of Western democracies. Even the judiciary is completely conformed to the regime and the leader. The law is ignored and serves only as a formality.

## 7. MANIPULATION OF TRADITIONAL VALUES

Similarly to fascist movements in Europe during the interwar period, the ideology of the Kremlin today is largely based on defending a mythologized notion of “traditional values”. This includes the legitimization of domestic violence, censorship within education and culture as well as the demonstrative suppression of ethnic, sexual and other minorities. Putin’s regime aims to convince that it is the “only advocate of traditional values”, at the same time encouraging any violation of moral norms, which have been established over centuries. What remains in place of traditional values is a criminal culture.



**Keep your mind unoccupied -  
the recognition of evil and calling it by its name  
is the first step towards victory.**

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