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# TROSHEV, ANDREI NIKOLAEVICH

STATUS

ALIVE  DEAD  UNKNOWN

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## KNOWN IDENTIFIERS

### FULL NAME

Andrei Nikolaevich Troshev EN

Андрей Николаевич Трошев RU

### ALTERNATIVE NAMES / ALIASES

Stanislav Demyanovich Sergeev<sup>1</sup>

### CALL SIGN

Sedoy, BB EN

Седой, ББ<sup>2</sup> RU

DOB	M	D	Y	TAX ID NUMBER
	04	05	1953 <sup>3</sup>	781417567443 <sup>4</sup>
	04	05	1962 <sup>8</sup>	

### M-NUMBER

M-2315

### B-NUMBER

B-72315

## COUNTRIES OF INTEREST

Syria, Sudan, Central African Republic, Libya, Mali, Ukraine

## ASSOCIATED EMAIL(S)

None found

## ASSOCIATED TELEPHONE NUMBER(S)

+249-990-214-305 (142, 260, 431, 486)<sup>5</sup>

+7-921-325-67-17<sup>6</sup>

+963-991-760-188 (105, 244, 272, 120)<sup>7</sup>

## SOCIAL NETWORK PROFILES



None found



None found

OTHER

None found

Andrei Troshev, known by the call signs Sedoy (meaning “gray-haired”) and BB, was the executive director (later shortened to director) of the Wagner Group. Born on April 5, 1962 (or possibly 1953) in Saint Petersburg, then known as Leningrad,<sup>9</sup> he was closely associated with the organization’s founders, Yevgeny Prigozhin and Dmitry Utkin.<sup>10</sup>

Troshev received his military education from the Leningrad Higher Artillery Command School and the Military Artillery Order of Lenin Red Banner Academy.<sup>11</sup> His career included commanding a special rapid reaction unit (SOBR) in Saint Petersburg and working for a special police squad (OMON).<sup>12</sup> He is a veteran of the Afghan and Chechen wars.<sup>13</sup> In Afghanistan, he commanded a battery of self-propelled artillery units. His service earned him numerous accolades, including two Orders of the Red Star, two Orders of Courage, and a Medal of the Order of Merit for the Fatherland (Second Degree) for his participation in the Chechen war. He reached the rank of police colonel but was forced to retire in 2012 due to alcohol abuse issues.<sup>14</sup>

While Troshev is widely recognized as a founding member of Wagner,<sup>15</sup> some internal company documents present a conflicting timeline, indicating that he officially joined the organization on April 20, 2016.<sup>16</sup> This discrepancy may reflect administrative formalities or internal record-keeping practices rather than the actual timeline of his involvement with the group. As director of the Wagner Group, Troshev’s role encompassed responsibilities in recruitment, communications, legal affairs, training, reconnaissance, security, and operation planning.<sup>17</sup> He maintained direct connections with duty officers across different sectors, including Sudan and Syria, and liaised directly with Russia’s Ministry of Defense.<sup>18</sup> Troshev was linked to Wagner operations in Syria’s Homs governorate and the Eastern Ghouta region near Damascus, areas associated with significant civilian casualties and alleged atrocities. His involvement in the assault on Palmyra in Syria in 2016 earned him the title of “Hero of Russia.”<sup>19</sup> Troshev also allegedly ordered the ill-fated storming of an oil field in Khasham, resulting in significant Wagner casualties.<sup>20</sup> He served as the director of the Wagner-affiliated League for the Protection of the Interests of Veterans of Local Wars and Military Conflicts.<sup>21</sup>

Following accusations of betraying Wagner, Troshev transitioned to the Russian Ministry of Defense, where he now oversees the establishment of new volunteer fighting units in Ukraine.<sup>22</sup> This move came in the aftermath of Prigozhin’s June 2023 mutiny, which led to significant changes in Wagner’s structure and operations. As a result of his activities with Wagner, Troshev is subject to travel bans and asset freezes imposed by the European Union,<sup>23</sup> Switzerland,<sup>24</sup> Ukraine,<sup>25</sup> and the United Kingdom.<sup>26</sup>

**BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS**


<b>SEX</b> Male	<b>TAX ID NUMBER</b> 781417567443 <sup>29</sup>			<b>NATIONALITY</b> Russian	<b>CITIZENSHIP(S)</b> Russia
<b>DOB</b>	<b>M</b> 04 04	<b>D</b> 05 05	<b>Y</b> 1953 1962 <sup>37</sup>	<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b> Leningrad, former USSR (now St. Petersburg, Russia) <sup>28</sup>	
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Leningrad Higher Artillery Command School (now Saint Petersburg Higher Artillery Command School)					
Military Artillery Order of Lenin Red Banner Academy, named after M.I. Kalinin (now Mikhailovsk Military Artillery Academy)					
Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Russian Federation <sup>27</sup>					

**MILITARY SERVICE**

**RANKS ACHIEVED & ASSOCIATED DATES OF PROMOTION**

Police Colonel (retired in 2012)<sup>36</sup>

**UNITS SERVED IN**

Ministry of Internal Affairs, special police squad (Russian: OMOH), special rapid response squad (Russian: СОБР), Saint Petersburg, Russia<sup>34</sup>

**MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS**

Afghanistan, Chechnya<sup>35</sup>

**AWARDS**

Two Orders of the Red Star<sup>30</sup>

Two Orders of Courage<sup>31</sup>

Order “For Merit to the Fatherland,”  
II Degree

Hero of Russia<sup>32</sup>

Hero of ‘LPR’ and ‘DPR’<sup>33</sup>

**WAGNER HISTORY**



DATE OF JOINING WAGNER*	M	D	Y	NOTABLE ENGAGEMENTS
04	20	2016 <sup>42</sup>	<p><b>Battle of Khasham, February 7, 2018:</b> Alleged to have given the order to storm the oil field, resulting in massive Wagner casualties, which exposed Wagner’s presence and Russian investment in Syria.<sup>38</sup></p>	
<p>*According to internal company recordkeeping; however, Troshev’s involvement with Wagner pre-dates 2016.</p>				
DATE & LOCATION OF DEPLOYMENTS				INJURIES
2015–2017	Syria <sup>41</sup>			Unknown
2018	Sudan <sup>43</sup>			
2022	Ukraine <sup>44</sup>			
RANK				<p>Manager of the security service in the Molmino base<sup>39</sup></p> <p>Chief of Staff (Executive Director)<sup>40</sup></p>

**BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS****NON-WAGNER EMPLOYERS**

None found

**TIES TO OTHER PRIGOZHIN-LINKED ENTITIES**Allegedly worked at Concord Group units<sup>47</sup>**TIES TO STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES**

None found

**BUSINESS REGISTRATIONS, INCLUDING LLCs**

None found

**POLITICAL & CIVIC SOCIETY ASSOCIATIONS****POLITICAL PARTIES**

None found

**VETERANS ASSOCIATIONS**League of Veterans of Local Conflicts. Registered address: 5 Mezhevoy Canal, letter BV, room 12, Saint Petersburg, 198035, Russia<sup>45</sup>**ACTIVIST GROUPS**

None found

**OTHER**Founder of the Regional Public Physical Culture and Sports Organization “Federation of Integrated Martial Arts and Army Tactical Shooting of St. Petersburg” (2014–2021). Registered address: 76 Obukhovskoy Oborony Ave., letter A, premises 2402, 192029, Saint Petersburg, Russia.<sup>46</sup>



## NOTABLE QUOTES ABOUT INDIVIDUAL

“This is what sets him apart from the rest - and the fact that on the 23rd or actually on the 24th he did not support Prigozhin in his rebellion and did not stay with him is very understandable. Of course, before Prigozhin he did not reach such heights. And the title of Hero of Russia did not shine for him, and such all-Russian and worldwide fame. But he was not marginal, that’s for sure. A respected retired police colonel with connections, a pension, and the possibility of a future career.”<sup>48</sup>

“They need a person who will gather these former mercenaries and allow them to fight. But only within the Ministry of Defense and the National Guard. Actually, this is what Troshev is needed for, who is the remaining high-ranking former commander of Wagner.”<sup>49</sup>

UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA

Not Applicable as of November 2023

EUROPEAN  
UNION

Travel bans and asset freezes imposed under Regulation (EU) 2021/2194 of December 13, 2021 implementing Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria.

**Reason statement:** “Executive Director (Chief of Staff) of the Wagner Group, which operates in Syria and trains and directs Syrian forces. The Wagner Group also supports the Assad regime and fights alongside regime-affiliated militias and the Syrian army. Andrey Troshev is directly involved in the military operations of the Wagner Group in Syria. He was particularly involved in the area of Deir ez-Zor. As such, he provides a crucial contribution to Bashar al-Assad’s war effort and therefore supports and benefits from the Syrian regime.”<sup>50</sup>

## UNITED KINGDOM

Travel ban and asset freezes imposed on June 29, 2022.

**Reason statement:** “Andrey Nikolaevich Troshev was the Chief Executive of the Wagner Group. Therefore, he has supported the Syrian regime, was a member of a militia, and has repressed the civilian population in Syria.”<sup>51</sup>

## CANADA

Not Applicable as of November 2023

## SWITZERLAND

Sanctioned on January 14, 2022, under the Embargo Act Measures against Syria.

**Reason statement:** “a) Executive Director (Chief of Staff) of the Wagner Group, which operates in Syria and trains and directs Syrian forces. The Wagner Group also supports the Assad regime and fights alongside regime-affiliated militias and the Syrian army. b) Andrey Troshev is directly involved in the military operations of the Wagner Group in Syria. He was particularly involved in the area of Deir ez-Zor. As such, he provides a crucial contribution to Bashar al-Assad’s war effort and therefore supports and benefits from the Syrian regime.”<sup>52</sup>



**AUSTRALIA**      Not Applicable as of November 2023

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**NEW ZEALAND**      Not Applicable as of November 2023

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**UKRAINE**      Sanctioned by the National Security and Defense Council under decree 116/2023 on February 26, 2023, as well as by the National Agency on Corruption Prevention on February 26, 2023.<sup>53</sup>

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**JAPAN**      Not Applicable as of November 2023

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**ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>NATURE OF ASSOCIATION</b>
Dmitry Utkin	Founding member of Wagner
Yevgeny Prigozhin	Founding member of Wagner
Andrei Bogatov	Commander of the Fourth Assault Detachment of Wagner
Alexander Kuznetsov	Commander of the First Assault Detachment of Wagner

**OTHER ASSOCIATED ENTITIES**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>NATURE OF ASSOCIATION</b>
None found	N/A

KNOWN LOCATIONS, CONTINUED



DATE	COUNTRY	CITY	EVIDENCE	ACTIVITIES
2015-2016	Syria	Deir ez-Zur	<a href="#">Link</a>	Mentions that Troshev volunteered to fight in Syria
March 6, 2017	Syria	N/A	<a href="#">C4ADS</a> <sup>54</sup>	Mentions that Troshev (along with Utkin and Chubko) were sent to Syria
2018	Syria	N/A	<a href="#">C4ADS</a> <sup>55</sup>	VPN, SIM list includes Troshev's number in Sudan
March 17, 2022	Ukraine	N/A	<a href="#">C4ADS</a> <sup>56</sup>	Telegram posts mention Troshev along with other Wagner employees in Ukraine
September 29, 2023	Russia	Moscow	<a href="#">Link</a>	Troshev met Vladimir Putin and Yunus-Bek Yevkurov in the Kremlin



Andrei Troshev (right) with Yunus-Bek Yevkurov  
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Andrei Troshev (second from left) with Andrei Bogatov, Vladimir Putin, Alexander Kuznetsov, and Dmitry Utkin  
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Andrei Troshev (very left) with Andrei Bogatov, Alexander Kuznetsov, and Dmitry Utkin  
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