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In Germany, leftists and communists have been declared potential allies of Russia. This is in line with the global anti-communist trend.

Details. On December 11, 2025, German Interior Minister Alexander Dobrindt warned that Russian “special services” may be using left-wing extremists and anarchists for espionage and sabotage in Germany. In his view, “locally recruited agents” can target infrastructure and energy facilities.

► Bündnis Sahra Wagenknecht (BSW) is among the German left-wing formations that openly adopt a pro-Russian political line. This position is mirrored across the political spectrum by the far-right AfD, which is classified as extremist in Germany, and has international parallels, such as the American Communist Party (ACP) in the United States.

► In December, Dobrindt presented a new national security strategy, emphasising “hybrid threats” as a priority and expanding cyber operations and surveillance. Around the same time, several left-wing organisations – including the German Communist Party (DKP) and the Anarchist Black Cross – had their bank accounts closed by banks without formal legal bans.

Context. Some “left radicals” or “communists” have upheld a social-chauvinistic position that favours the interests of Russian capital instead of explaining the inter-imperialist nature of the so-called “Special Military Operation” (SMO).

► Dobrindt’s rhetoric is conditioned by growing political and economic unrest and broader EU militarisation, aimed primarily at Russia. The opportunism of these groups will be used to justify repressions against genuine communists, as illustrated by the recent ban of the opportunist “Communist Party of Poland.”

► Germany has historical precedents where left-opportunist militancy was used to expand repression. In the 1970s, West German intelligence asset Peter Urbach supplied weapons to the Red Army Faction (RAF) and encouraged provocations, helping legitimise “anti-terror” measures later used to criminalise communist activity and organisation in practice, far beyond armed groups.

► Since these groups pose no real threat to capitalism, they can be opportunistically amplified in inter-imperialist rivalry. The Iranian state bolstered and publicised Western pro-Palestinian protests, recognising that this pressure could be leveraged to secure its political position within Palestine by strengthening its aligned forces and legitimising its “resistance” line.