Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of our Joint Victory in WWII should be a starting point for turning U.S. – Russia relationship from confrontation to alliance

I think we will end up having an extraordinary relationship...I think getting along with Russia is a good thing not a bad thing – *President Donald Trump*





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The "Spirit of the Elbe" is an example of how our countries can put aside differences, build trust, and cooperate in pursuit of a greater cause. As we work today to confront the most important challenges of the 21st century, we pay tribute to the valor and courage of all those who fought together to defeat fascism. Their heroic feat will never be forgotten. - From the Joint Statement by President Donald J. Trump and President Vladimir Putin of Russia Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the "Meeting on the Elbe" by the U.S. and Soviet military

Dear friends, we never divided the victory into ours and someone else's. We will always remember the assistance from the Allies: the United States of America, Great Britain, France and other nations of the anti-Hitler coalition. – *President Vladimir Putin*

Together we are better. – Alexei Leonov, Russian cosmonaut, Commander of the Soviet capsule in the joint 1975 Soyuz-Appolo space mission

Major Battles of World War II

Battle of France, May to June 1940

Battle of Britain, July to October 1940

Battle of Moscow, October 1941 to January 1942

Battle of Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941

Battle of Kharkov (Second), May 1942

Battle of Midway, June 1942

Battle of Stalingrad, July 1942 to February 1943

Battle of Kursk, July to August 1943

Battle to end the Siege of Leningrad,

January to March 1944

Battle of Bagration, June 1944

Battle of Normandy, June to August 1944

Battle of the Philippine Sea - June 1944

Battle of Iwo Jima - February to March 1945

Battle of Berlin, April to May 1945







