

# Strongmen in Putin's clan

Behind the walls of Moscow's Kremlin, power is controlled by the 13-member inner circle of the Security Council. Of these, seven members are **siloviki** – “strongmen” with a KGB-military background

● So-called siloviki\*      ● Non KGB/FSB members

**Mikhail Fradkov**

Director of SVR, Foreign Intelligence Service

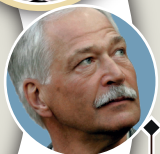
**Sergey Naryshkin**  
Speaker of Duma

**Aleksandr Bortnikov**  
Director of FSB

**Nikolay Patrushev**  
Secretary of Security Council  
Former Director of FSB

**Anton Vaino**  
Putin's Chief of Staff

**Rashid Nurgaliyev**  
Deputy Secretary of Security Council



**President Vladimir Putin**  
16 years in KGB

**Dmitry Medvedev**  
Prime Minister.  
Served as President from 2008 to 2012

**Valentina Matviyenko**  
Federation Council Speaker

**Sergei Lavrov**  
Foreign Minister

**Sergei Shoigu**  
Defence Minister

**Boris Gryzlov**  
Permanent member of Security Council

**Vladimir Kolokoltsev**  
Interior Minister

\*Members of intelligence agencies: KGB, FSK (Federal Counterintelligence Service), FSB (Federal Security Service), MVD (Ministry of Internal Affairs)