

# Putin's pals facing sanctions

Britain has announced sanctions on three of President Vladimir Putin's friends who face asset freezes, trading curbs, and UK travel bans as part of the government's response to the conflict in Ukraine



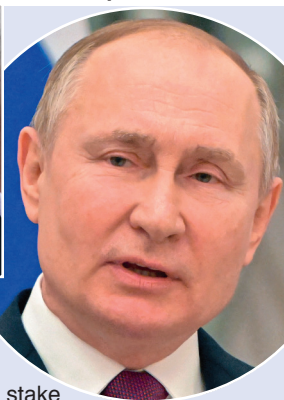
**Gennady Timchenko, 69:**  
Controls Luxembourg-based **Volga Group** – investment firm with 23% stake in **Novatek**, Russia's second-largest producer of natural gas



**NOVATEK**

Befriended **Vladimir Putin** (centre) during early 1990s.

**Net worth of about \$16 billion**



**Boris Rotenberg, 65:** Founded gas-pipeline and construction firm **Stroygazmontazh** in

2008 with his brother, **Arkady**

 **STROYGAZMONTAZH**



**СМП БАНК**

Brothers are also co-owners of **SMP Bank**, which has \$640 million of assets frozen in U.S.

**Net worth of about \$1 billion**



**Igor Rotenberg, 48:** Eldest son of Arkady Rotenberg. Partner in family company **Stroygazmontazh** when it built bridge to Crimea peninsula, annexed by Russia from Ukraine in 2014. Holds 78.7% stake in Russia's biggest drilling company **Gazprom Bureniye**



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**Banks:** UK also sanctioned five Russian banks including **Promsvyazbank** – which services Russia's defence industry – and **Bank Rossiya**