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Official Denies Russian Bikers in Germany are Night Wolves

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A spokesman for Germany's Interior Ministry says there is no evidence that the Russian bikers who entered Germany on Sunday were part of the nationalist Night Wolves group.

The pro-Kremlin Night Wolves have declared their intention to commemorate the Russian and Allied defeat of Nazi Germany 70 years ago in World War II by riding their motorbikes to Berlin. But Poland denied them entry and the German government has canceled the visas of some people believed to belong to the group's leadership.

Interior Ministry spokesman Tobias Plate said Monday that German police checked the IDs of 10 bikers who came in through Austria but found "no concrete evidence of any links to the so-called Night Wolves."

Plate said the bikers appeared to be sympathizers, not members, of the nationalist group.

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