

Russian Parliament Member Wants to Put All the Women Deputies in a New Reality TV Show

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Oksana Pushkina YouTube

The head of the State Duma's committee on family, women, and children has gone public with a bold new suggestion: all the women in the lower house of the Russian parliament should team up and launch a television program. Oksana Pushkina says the reality TV show could be the key to establishing a smooth working relationship between the State Duma's 70 women deputies, the Interfax news agency reported.

"I want to be girlfriends, and I also want to gather together the women from all the different [party] factions. So I'm offering up this suggestion. And maybe that's what we could call it: 'Girlfriends,'" Pushkina said at her Duma committee's first meeting.

Another member of the committee, Tamara Pletneva, immediately seconded the proposal, and a promise was made to develop the concept further.

Oksana Pushkina's idea doesn't come out of nowhere. She is a nationally famous television personality, having hosted the show "Female View" (Zhenskii Vzglyad) on NTV for more than a decade. Pushkina was elected to the Duma this September as a member of the ruling United Russia political party. Since last year, she had served as the Moscow region's children's rights commissioner.

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