

Russia's Answer to Elon Musk's SpaceX Falcon Heavy Launch in Memes

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When Elon Musk on Tuesday successfully [launched](#) a rocket toward Mars carrying a red Tesla, some saw it as a landmark moment for space exploration.

Others, however, saw Russia's status as a cosmic superpower evaporate before their eyes. In the battle for space supremacy, SpaceX has defeated Roscosmos. And what better way to digest that news than with a meme?

Top Gear's Jeremy Clarkson made a comeback, saying: "I'm sending you on a journey for which no amount of petrol will suffice."

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Your rocket vs. the rocket of your mother's friend's son.

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Of course, no Russian meme is complete without Vladimir Putin. "The photo Musk is hiding from us."

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Russia's "symmetrical answer" to SpaceX's success.

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Trust Russia's traffic police to disrupt even the most epic of journeys.

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"I forgot to switch off the iron."

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Nowhere to run from an angry girlfriend. "Where are you running off to? I haven't finished speaking."

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Trying to find a parking spot in a typically swamped parking lot outside Soviet-era apartments.

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Piglet Pyotr, the Russian symbol for those who want to emigrate, is in the front seat.

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And who would ever be able to leave anywhere without getting a message from their mother asking whether they haven't forgotten to put their hat on!

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Maybe, this commenter suggests, Russians can only hope for divine intervention.

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