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The Best Memes: Kazakhstan Renames Capital to Nursultan in Honor of Glorious Leader

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What's in a name? When it comes to a capital city, pretty much everything. Following the resignation of Kazakh President Nursultan Nazarbayev after nearly three decades in power, news that the country's capital would be renamed from Astana to Nursultan quickly spread. The internet, as always, was close behind and ready to poke fun at the renamed capital of the post-Soviet country. Here are some of our favorite memes from across the Russian-speaking web:



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Much like Los Angeles, Nursultan is a magical place fit for a musical.

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The country's signature blue and yellow remain on Kazakhstanos, formerly known as Thanos of "Avengers" fame.

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"Walking around the city of Nursultan, you'll turn onto Nursultanovsky Avenue and walk past Nursultan University. On the way to the Nursultan monument, you might venture into the Nursultan store."

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So meta: Nursultan in the Nursultan library in the city of Nursultan.

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На картинке Нурсултан в библиотеке Нурсултана в городе Нурсултан (раньше: Астана). pic.twitter.com/QKce9uVuFp

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