

# TOTAL RUSSIA

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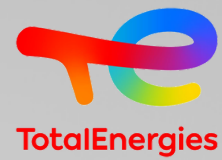
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## ISSUES

In February 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine. To show their opposition to this act of aggression denounced by the UN, the European Union and many states, most of the oil and gas majors announced that they would end their operations or contracts in Russia. The French oil and gas company TotalEnergies, for its part, has decided not to question its current projects and interests by leaving the country, taking the risk of financing the war led by the Kremlin. Greenpeace France and Friends of the Earth France have issued a formal notice to TotalEnergies, citing the lack of risk assessment and vigilance measures adapted to wartime situations in TotalEnergies' vigilance plan, to ask it to cease, as soon as possible, all business and commercial relations in the Russian oil and gas sector.

## ACTORS

- Greenpeace France
- Friends of the Earth France



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# PRESENTATION OF THE CASE

In reaction to the invasion of Ukraine, the European Union has sanctioned several oligarchs close to the Kremlin. Among them was Gennady Timchenko, who was then CEO of Novatek, in which TotalEnergies holds a 20% stake and with which he is associated on its two Russian gas projects, Yamal and Artic LNG. He resigned from the Board of Directors following the sanctions but remains the second largest shareholder. Russian companies have also been sanctioned, such as Zarubezhneft, in which TotalEnergies is a partner on the Kharyaga oil field.

According to Greenpeace and Les Amis de la Terre, in view of the human rights and fundamental freedoms violations perpetrated by Russia, TotalEnergies' continued business relationships and investments in Russia are clearly incompatible with its obligations of vigilance and prudence. In its vigilance plan, the French company makes no provision for how it will prevent risks in situations of armed conflict.

The organisations therefore call on TotalEnergies to put an end to its interests in the Russian oil and gas sector as soon as possible, in order to effectively prevent any serious violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

