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## River Notes; Alexander Orlov and NKVD Operations in the Spanish Civil War

### [Aleksandr Mikhailovich Orlov - overview](#)

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## **Orlovs larger perspectives; The Theory and Practice Of Soviet Intelligence**

**For additional information on Alexander Orlov, the following is pretty comprehensive:**

**[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexander\\_Orlov\\_\(Soviet\\_defector\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexander_Orlov_(Soviet_defector))**

**[Russian Revolutionaries, 1914 – 1920 – Alexander Orlov](https://spartacus-educational.com/SPorlov.htm)**

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Thurston, Robert W. *Life and Terror in Stalin's Russia, 1934-1941*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1996.

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