

## Russia

Back then, in the 1990s, people like [Irina] Frige [a leader of the Leningrad Memorial Society that preserves facts, images and objects related to the Gulag and its victims] were talking about "de-Communization," which they imagined would be like de-Nazification [in Germany]. But twenty years later, she was telling me that I was wrong to talk about forgetting because forgetting presupposes remembering — and remembering had not happened, or had not happened yet.

**Masha Gessen, *Never Remember* [2018]**