Claim

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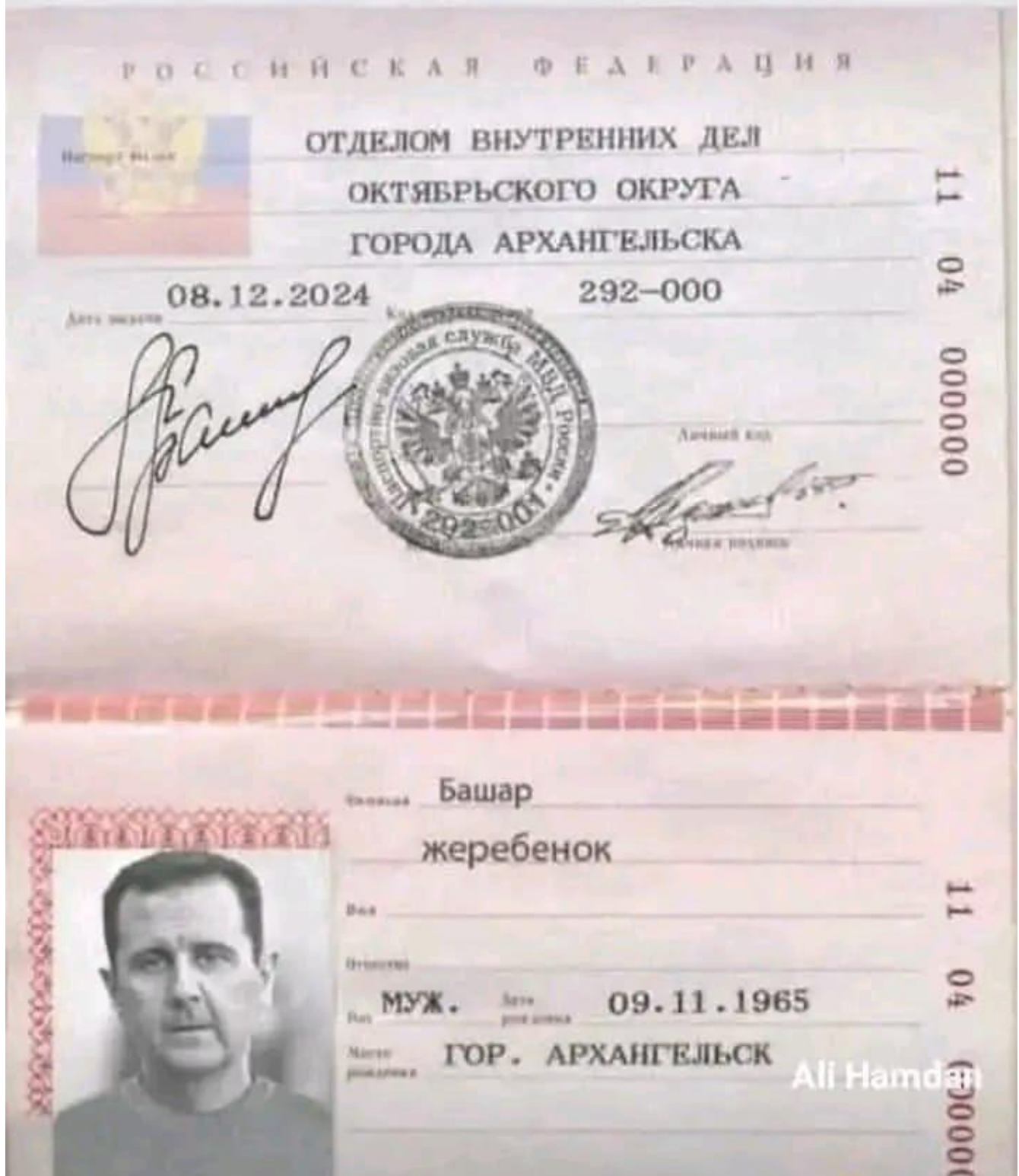This image shows an authentic Russian passport of deposed Syrian dictator Bashar al-Assad."

Actions

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reverse_search(![image 21](media/69.jpg))
web_search("Bashar al-Assad Russian passport")
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Evidence

Evidence from `reverse_search`

The image in question,

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, appears on the Wikipedia article "East Slavic name" (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/East_Slavic_name) and on the Wikimedia Commons (https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Pasport_RF.jpg). The Wikimedia Commons source describes the image as a Russian internal passport. The image also appears on a website discussing Russian internal passports (https://ukrainian-passport.com/blog/internal-russian-passport/).

Evidence from `web_search`

An AOL article from January 8, 2025, fact-checks the claim that the image shows Bashar al-Assad's Russian passport and states that the image is fake and photoshopped. The original passport image was found on Wikipedia. The Wikipedia article discusses Bashar al-Assad's presidency, including the Russian and Iranian interventions in support of his government, and mentions that Assad was granted political asylum by the Russian government. The article from NV.ua discusses the arrest of relatives of Bashar al-Assad at Beirut airport on December 28, who were attempting to leave using fake passports.

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The sources are: https://www.aol.com/fact-check-assad-passport-image-140122086.html, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bashar_al-Assad, and https://english.nv.ua/nation/relatives-of-bashar-al-assad-arrested-at-beirut-airport-using-fake-passports-50477670.html.

Elaboration

The image is a photoshopped Russian internal passport. An AOL fact-check article explicitly states that the image is fake. The original image is available on Wikipedia and Wikimedia Commons.

Final Judgement

The claim that the image shows an authentic Russian passport of Bashar al-Assad is false. Multiple sources, including an AOL fact-check, confirm that the image is photoshopped. The original image is a Russian internal passport, but the details and the photo of Assad have been altered.

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false
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Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The claim is false. An AOL fact-check (https://www.aol.com/fact-check-assad-passport-

image-140122086.html) confirms that the image is photoshopped. The original image is a Russian internal passport, but the details and the photo of Assad have been altered.