

## The Green Party Shows Solidarity with the GDR Opposition (1983)

### Abstract

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Some politicians from the West German Green Party maintained relations with members of the environmental and peace movements in the GDR. They also used their public platforms to support human and civil rights in the East. For example, they criticized East German human rights violations during a high-profile meeting with SED chief Erich Honecker in East Berlin in 1983. Following the meeting, Green delegates Gert Bastian (not pictured here), Petra Kelly, and Otto Schily rolled out a banner with the logo “Swords to Ploughshares” [“Schwerter zu Pflugscharen”].

### Source

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