

## The Ceasefire on the Eastern Front (1917)

## **Abstract**

With their overthrow of the old regime, the Bolsheviks offered a war-weary Russian populace the prospect of an immediate end to hostilities. As early as November 8, 1917, the second Congress of Soviets exhorted all belligerent powers to embrace a peace without annexations. On December 3, 1917, Soviet Russian representatives under the direction of Adolf Joffe (1883-1927) began separate negotiations with the Central Powers. Two days later, a ceasefire was concluded. The first round of peace negotiations from December 22-28, 1917, however, ended in failure. These two photographs taken in the winter of 1917/18 shows Russian and German soldiers meeting after the ceasefire.

## Source





Source: bpk-Bildagentur, image numbers 30012944, 30018028. For rights inquiries, please contact Art Resource at requests@artres.com (North America) or bpk-Bildagentur at kontakt@bpk-bildagentur.de (for all other countries).

bpk

Recommended Citation: The Ceasefire on the Eastern Front (1917), published in: German History in Documents and Images,

<a href="https://germanhistorydocs.org/en/wilhelmine-germany-and-the-first-world-war-1890-1918/ghdi:image-2144">https://germanhistorydocs.org/en/wilhelmine-germany-and-the-first-world-war-1890-1918/ghdi:image-2144</a> [September 26, 2025].