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# Eight-year-old girl killed in Ukrainian drone raid on Moscow – governor

Kiev's defense minister had earlier boasted about large-scale Ukrainian attacks on the Russian capital to his German counterpart

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An eight-year-old girl has been killed near Moscow during a Ukrainian drone raid targeting the Russian capital, Moscow Region Governor Andrey Vorobyev has said.

The deadly attack on the Ramenskoe district came hours after Ukrainian Defense Minister Mikhail Fedorov published a photo of himself showing the



Ukrainian Defense Minister Mikhail Fedorov published a photo on his social

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results of one of Kiev's largest UAV attacks on Moscow to his German counterpart, Boris Pistorius, during a NATO meeting in Brussels.

media showing him presenting footage of the attack on Moscow to his German counterpart, Boris Pistorius, and the accompanying delegation. © Threads / michael.fedorov

Pistorius and other officials from the bloc were seen looking at Fedorov's phone with interest.

Air defenses shot down at least 194 drones on their approach to the Russian capital on Thursday, with at least 17 people wounded in several cities near Moscow due to the raid.

Ukraine continued to send more drones towards Russia's largest city, populated by over 13 million, on Friday. At least 33 aerial targets were intercepted, according to Moscow Mayor Sergey Sobyenin.



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Vorobyev reported on Telegram that an eight-year-old girl had died in a blaze in Ramenskoye, southwest of the capital, as a result of the latest Ukrainian raid. At the time of the attack, the child was at home with her grandmother, who remained unharmed, he added.

*"I extend my sincere condolences to the [victim's] family and loved ones. We will provide the family with all necessary assistance and support," Vorobyev wrote.*

According to the governor, 18 apartment blocks were damaged across Moscow Region during the Ukrainian attack.

The town of Kotelniki, east of the capital, was affected the most, with 13 multi-story residential buildings hit by UAV debris there, he said. Two apartment blocks were also damaged in Lyubertsy and one each in Ramenskoye, Zhukovsky, and Balashikha.

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Experts are already assessing the damage in order to begin swift repairs, and the owners of the affected apartments will receive monetary compensation from the state, Vorobyev said.

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# Three killed in Ukrainian attacks on Russian regions

## Kiev has intensified drone strikes on civilians in recent weeks amid continued setbacks on the front line

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Three people have been killed in attacks by Kiev's drones in Russian regions bordering Ukraine, the authorities have said.

The Ukrainian military used UAVs to drop mines on a busy highway in Russia's Lugansk People Republic (LPR) overnight, Governor Leonid



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Pasechnik wrote on Telegram on Saturday morning.



Striking elements from a mine dropped by a Ukrainian drone on a highway in Russia's Lugansk People Republic. © Telegram / Leonid Pasechnik

*"One of the residents found a suspicious device and attempted to remove it on his own. This resulted in an explosion. Unfortunately, two people were killed," he said.*

The governor stressed that people should not approach mines or drone debris, but instead immediately inform the authorities of their discovery.

*"The Kiev regime is continuing its terror campaign against civilians," Padeschik said.*

Earlier in the day, the acting governor of Bryansk Region, Egor Kovalchuk, said that Kiev's FPV-drones, which are remotely controlled by operators in real-time, targeted the village of Suzemka near Russia's border with Ukraine.

A man was killed in the attack, while a woman suffered injuries and required hospitalization, Kovalchuk wrote on Telegram.



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Also on Saturday, Tyumen Region governor Aleksandr Moor said that a Ukrainian drone attack on the Tyumen Oil Refinery has been successfully repelled.

The facility was unaffected in the raid, with the staff being evacuated, Moor wrote on Telegram.

Emergency workers have been deployed in areas where the debris of downed UAVs fell, he added.

Tyumen Region is located some 2,000 km from Moscow in Western Siberia and borders Kazakhstan.

The Russian Defense Ministry said that at least 241 Ukrainian UAVs were destroyed by air defenses on Saturday.

The interceptions took place in Moscow, Belgorod, Bryansk, Kursk, Orel, Tula, Rostov, Lipetsk, Voronezh, and Astrakhan regions, as well as in Crimea and over the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov, it said.

Moscow Mayor Sergey Sobyanian reported that two drones targeting the city had been destroyed.

The Russian capital came under one of the largest Ukrainian drone raids on Thursday, with air defenses shooting down 194 drones. At least 17 people were wounded in several cities near Moscow due to the attack.

A smaller UAV incursion on Friday resulted in the death of an eight-year-old girl in Ramenskoye outside Moscow.

Kiev has intensified attacks on residential areas and civilian vehicles inside Russia in recent weeks amid continued setbacks on the front line.

On Wednesday, a Ukrainian drone struck a bus carrying a youth soccer team from Belarus, killing a woman and injuring eight people, including six minors.



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Moscow previously warned that it would respond to terrorist attacks by Kiev with “*systematic and consistent strikes*” on Ukraine’s military infrastructure, including drone production facilities, command posts, and “*decision-making centers.*”

There have been several large-scale drone and missile raids by Russia over the past month, including one in late May that involved the deployment of two state-of-the-art intermediate-range hypersonic Oreshnik systems.

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# Zelensky threatens to attack Belarus

The Ukrainian leader has demanded that Minsk remove its air defense radars from the border within a week, vowing to destroy them otherwise

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Ukraine's Vladimir Zelensky has issued an ultimatum to Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko, threatening him with military action if Belarus fails to dismantle the air defense radar array along its southern border, just days after a deadly Ukrainian drone strike on a bus carrying a children's soccer team from the country.

Earlier this week, Lukashenko said



FILE PHOTO: Ukraine's Vladimir Zelensky. © Global Look Press / Pierre

that those seeking to drag his nation into the conflict *“will have to pay dearly for that,”* demanding answers from Kiev regarding the strike on the bus and other *“provocations.”* The attack in Russia’s Bryansk Region left six children injured and killed the wife of a [Belarusian school soccer team](#) coach who was accompanying the young athletes to a Russian seaside resort.

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Kiev has denied responsibility, while Zelensky claimed that it was Lukashenko who must *“be honest”* and prove Minsk’s peaceful intentions by removing air defenses and relay transmitters along the border with Ukraine.

*“I think one week would be enough for him to accomplish this,”* the Ukrainian leader stated at a press conference in Kiev on Friday. *“If he does not do it, we will.”*

Lukashenko has repeatedly said that Belarus has no intention of engaging in a war against any nation and *“is not threatening anyone.”* Zelensky, however, stated that there was *“no need for unnecessary words,”* and issued another veiled threat against the Belarusian oil refining industry.



*“Just like his, for example, oil refining industry,”* Zelensky said, claiming that Minsk is one of Russia’s *“main”* suppliers of petroleum products. *“Can this be stopped? I am sure that it is within his power.”*



Belarus, a close Russian ally, has largely stayed out of the conflict since 2022, while calling on Moscow and Kiev to engage in dialogue and expressing its readiness to contribute to a diplomatic resolution. In September 2025, Lukashenko stated that he was ready to meet Zelensky personally to discuss possible compromises, but the Ukrainian leader rejected the offer.

In November, Minsk released 31 Ukrainian citizens from detention in a “*goodwill gesture*” at the request of Kiev and US President Donald Trump, who was also seeking to mediate the conflict.

Over the past few weeks, Zelensky has been ramping up his rhetoric about an allegedly growing threat posed by Belarus – and threatened it with a [preemptive strike](#). Earlier this year, the commander of Ukraine’s Unmanned Systems Forces warned that Kiev had already identified some 500 potential military and logistical targets across the country.

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The Strong Armenia bloc argues the voting results should be invalidated because of “mass and organized” violations

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The opposition Strong Armenia bloc

