

Court Closes Nationalist Site

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A Chita district court has ordered a local Internet service provider to block access to a web site that hosted articles from the banned Russkoye Zabaikalye newspaper, Itar-Tass reported Thursday.

Russkoye Zabaikalye was ruled extremist in 2009, and its editor was handed a one-year suspended sentence in December. The investigators said the newspaper promoted violence against Buryat and Azeri people, as well as Jews.

Earlier this month, a Far East court ordered a local Internet provider to block access to YouTube for hosting videos deemed extremist.

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