

'Grandpa Khasan' Improves

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Reputed crime boss Aslan Usoyan was discharged Friday from the Moscow hospital where he was admitted after an unsuccessful attempt on his life, Interfax reported, citing an unidentified hospital employee.

The 73-year-old Usoyan, nicknamed Grandpa Khasan and considered the most influential mafia boss on former Soviet territory, was shot in downtown Moscow by an unidentified attacker Sept. 16. His bodyguard was also injured.

Usoyan is to name the people he suspects in the shooting at a general meeting of crime bosses, which will be held after he recovers, a law enforcement source told Interfax on Friday, adding that the gathering would probably take place in southern Russia.

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