

Minister Says 84 Rebels Shot

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Interior Ministry troops have killed 84 militants in the North Caucasus this year and detained another 22, Interior Minister Rashid Nurgaliyev said Friday, Interfax reported.

Twenty-six officers were killed during counterterrorist operations, some of which were conducted with other law enforcement agencies, he said.

In October, the Federal Security Service reported killing 301 Islamist militants in the North Caucasus this year and arresting 468 others. It did not give the figure for casualties.

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