

3 Killed in Dagestan

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Two police officers have been killed by gunmen who attacked them during Friday prayers at a mosque in Dagestan, local officials said. A fire chief was killed in a separate shooting.

A spokesman for the republic's Interior Ministry, Vyacheslav Gasanov, said the two policemen were killed at a mosque in the town of Khasavyurt, near the border with Chechnya. He said the attackers drove up to the mosque as worshippers were leaving after prayers and opened fire.

In the village of Kurush near Khasavyurt, the local fire chief died from shots fired at his vehicle early Saturday from a moving car.

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