

Russian Held for FARC Links

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THESSALONIKI, Greece — Greek police have detained a Russian wanted in Peru for a case of arms trafficking to Colombia's leftist guerrilla group FARC.

The suspect, Vladimir Gavrilov, was arrested Friday in a hotel near Thessaloniki, police said. He will appear before an appeals court Monday in connection with an international warrant issued against him by Peru.

Police said Gavrilov is suspected of participating in a deal involving 10,000 Kalashnikov assault rifles, purchased in Jordan and parachuted to the FARC in 1999. Former Peruvian spymaster Vladimiro Montesinos was jailed in 2006 for 20 years for masterminding the deal.

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