

Blogger Accused of Being Paid to Take Secret Factory Photos

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The blogger who posted photos of a secret missile factory last month was paid to do so by the factory's former management, a source told Izvestia on Tuesday.

Photographs of the state-owned NPO Energomash rocket-engine factory published by blogger Lana Sator on her LiveJournal page last month went viral online, prompting Deputy Prime Minister Dmitry Rogozin to promise stricter security at such facilities.

Sator was paid to break into the factory and take photographs of it by the facility's former management as a response to their being fired, an unnamed source told Izvestia.

Sator's LiveJournal blog, devoted largely to photography, is titled "Abandoned factories, incomplete buildings, military installations, abandoned machinery, industrial sites".

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