

Grozny Air Hub Mulled

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Authorities in Chechnya are considering creating a large North Caucasus airline with a hub at Grozny airport, Nezavisimaya Gazeta reported.

Existing airline Grozny Avia may be renamed North Caucasian Airlines in an effort to identify the carrier with the North Caucasus Federal District, the newspaper said.

Grozny Avia, which was founded in 2007, is the only remaining North Caucasus-based airline since Dagestan Airlines was stripped of its operating license in December last year. It operates four Yak-42 aircraft on daily flights between Grozny and Moscow Vnukovo. Grozny airport won international status in 2009.

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