

Japanese Diplomat to Visit After Motorcycle Tourist Murdered in Siberia

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31-year-old Kaiti Okhnita was traveling across Russia on this motorcycle seen in a photo from the Investigative Committee.

A Japanese diplomat will travel to Chita on Thursday from the Khabarovsk consulate in response to the murder of a Japanese tourist who was traveling across Russia on a motorcycle.

The body of 31-year-old Kaiti Okhnita was found Tuesday less than a kilometer from the main highway outside of the Siberian city of Chita on a remote stretch of road leading to Irkutsk near Lake Baikal, Interfax reported.

Local residents discovered Okhnita inside a tent he had erected for the night with 30 stab wounds, tayga.info reported. Police discovered his Suzuki motorcycle, clothes, a mobile phone, a large amount of Russian currency, and other personal items.

Police did not say whether there was a suspect or any known motivation for the killing. The Investigative Committee has opened an investigation into the matter.

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