

Suspected Killers of Judge Detained After Fight With FSB

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Police keeping guard outside Chuvashov's home after his murder in 2010

Federal Security Service officers have detained two men accused of murdering a Moscow judge, following an operation in which the suspects put up armed resistance.

"On June 26, the FSB detained suspects accused of murdering Judge [Eduard] Chuvashov during a special operations mission," an FSB spokesman told Interfax.

The spokesperson identified the suspects as Maxim Baklagin, who was being hunted under a federal search warrant, and Vyacheslav Isayev, who had hidden from investigators in a rented flat in the Vladimir region.

A Finnish submachine gun, a Makarov pistol, a hand grenade and other weapons were seized from the pair during the FSB operation.

Chuvashov, a Moscow City Court judge, was gunned down outside his central Moscow

apartment in April 2010.

At the time, his colleagues said the murder was retaliation for long prison sentences he had given several months before to a group of mostly teenage neo-Nazis who killed and assaulted dark-skinned non-Slavs.

The FSB spokesman confirmed Wednesday that both Baklagin and Isayev "were supporters of right-wing views" and "had been active in several underground armed groups."

He also said both were suspected of a string of other murders and serious crimes that took place in Moscow between 2008 and 2010.

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