

Airport Director Scolded for Runway Party

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A Urals airport director who turned a runway into a dance party was reprimanded by prosecutors.

Bright-colored <u>posters</u> advertising the open-air party at the airport in Severouralsk, 500 kilometers north of Yekaterinburg, caught the eye of local prosecutors, Rossiiskaya Gazeta reported Tuesday.

The posters, which were plastered around town last month, promised go-go girls, bars, cafes and a long list of DJs. The entrance fee for the party was 300 rubles (\$9), including a bus ride to the airport.

Prosecutors told the newspaper that airport director Viktor Kyrov had signed a deal with the organizers but had to cancel it at their request.

A similar dance event took place at the airport last summer, according to the party's page on the Vkontakte social network.

Kyrov doesn't face any further punishment after the formal reprimand.

The Severouralsk airport, located 16 kilometers from the metal-works town of 30,000, has rarely been used since the early 1990s, but its runway has been maintained.

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