

2 Missing After Tug Sinks in Neva River

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Emergency workers are searching for two crew members missing after their tug collided with a bridge over St. Petersburg's Neva River and sank.

A representative for the Emergency Situations Ministry told RIA-Novosti that rescuers had located the sunken ship, which crashed into the northern capital's Palace Bridge around 2 a.m. and then drifted 200 meters downstream, but had been unable to trace the missing crew members.

The two crew members are believed to be in their twenties. Rescuers searched for them overnight but were hampered by ice.

According to the ministry, their boat had taken part in restoration works around the Palace Bridge. The bridge itself was not damaged in the collision.

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