

Police Free Chinese Woman After Ransom Demand

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Moscow police said Friday that they had freed a kidnapped Chinese woman and detained two of her suspected abductors, who were seeking over \$150,000 in ransom money for her safe return.

Law enforcement officers were alerted to the 5 million ruble (\$158,000) ransom demand by the woman's husband, also from China, who works at one of the city's clothes markets and informed police on Wednesday, Interfax reported.

Early Thursday morning, police detained two male suspects on Butyrskaya Ulitsa. They are still searching for a third suspect.

According to police, the three men, who are all believed to be from Central Asia, broke into the Chinese couple's home on Bolshaya Cherkizovskaya Ulitsa on Monday, threatening them with a gun.

The suspects then made off with three laptops, three mobile phones, a set of hair clippers, 20,000 rubles in cash and the Chinese woman, police said.

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