

## Georgia Arrests Two Foreign Citizens Suspected of Terror Plot

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TBILISI — Georgia has arrested two foreign citizens suspected of preparing to carry out a "terrorist act," the Interior Ministry said.

One of the two men, identified as Mikhail Kadiyev and Rizvan Omarov, was wanted by Interpol, the ministry said Thursday. It did not identify their nationality or provide any further details about the alleged plot.

"The Interior Ministry's counter-terrorism center has thwarted an attempted terrorist act at the stage of preparation," Nino Giorgobiani, a ministry spokeswoman, told reporters.

Video footage released by the ministry showed the two men being arrested. Two Russian passports were also shown, although identification details were also obscured. The ministry said Kadiyev had been hiding in Georgia from Interpol since 2011, although he had traveled outside the country occasionally during that time.

Large amounts of powerful explosives, electronic detonators, firearm and munitions, as well as fake identification documents, were recovered from the apartment in Tbilisi where the two men allegedly lived. "An intensive investigation and search are under way to identify and arrest those providing support to the two detained men implicated in plotting a terrorist act," the ministry said.

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