

## Abandoned Kitten Causes Bomb Scare in Tomsk

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A small, white kitten shook up the Siberian city of Tomsk on Wednesday.

Residents on Ulitsa Mokrushina alerted the police to a suspicious box found lying outside the entrance of an apartment building.

Police set up cordon before a SWAT team was deployed along with a sniffer dog, RIA Novosti reported.

But the scare turned out to have been caused by nothing more than an abandoned kitten, the regional police department said.

"Taking the necessary precautions, one of the officers took another look at the suspicious parcel and carefully opened it on one side. To his surprise, a white kitten's head appeared through the gap," a police spokesman said.

The whole operation took no more than 30 minutes.

The kitten was later taken to a veterinary center where it will remain until it gets a new owner.

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