

Moscow Metro Shootout Injures 2

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The suspect, a 27-year old man from Chechnya, is accused of firing several shots during the altercation.

Police have detained a man on suspicion of shooting and seriously injuring a fellow passenger on the Moscow subway, the Interior Ministry said.

The 25-year-old victim was hospitalized and in a coma after receiving a gunshot wound to the head from a pellet gun early Monday, a spokesperson for the Moscow branch of the Interior Ministry said, Interfax reported.

The shootout was preceded by an altercation between the suspect, a 27-year old man from Chechnya, and four Belarussian natives in a subway car between the metro stations of Park Kultury and Kropotkinskaya, the spokesman said.

The suspect is accused of firing several shots. Another man suffered a minor abrasion.

If convicted, the shooter faces up to eight years in prison.

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