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Russian Specialists Arrive in Africa to Help Fight Ebola

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Russian health specialists have arrived in Guinea to help local doctors battle a recent Ebola virus outbreak, a Health Ministry spokesperson said Sunday.

Russian specialists have been deployed to provide research and methodological aid to their local counterparts, spokesman Oleg Salagai said in comments carried by RIA Novosti. The Russian health workers will help conduct an epidemiological analysis of the situation and develop recommendations to fight the spread of the infection, he added.

As of July 27, 729 deaths from the Ebola virus had been recorded in the western African nations of Liberia, Guinea, Nigeria and Sierra Leone, according to the World Health Organization.

Ebola is transmitted though bodily fluids and the tissues of infected people and animals. In the vast majority of cases, it is deadly.

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