

Russia Delivers More Attack Helicopters to Iraq for Fight Against IS

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Mi-28 helicopters flying in the sky above the Moscow region.

Russia has delivered four attack helicopters to the Iraqi air force to assist in Baghdad's struggle against Islamic State militants, the Interfax news agency reported citing a Russian military source.

The Mi-28 Night Hunters were delivered on Sunday, the source said, as part of a 2012 agreement for the supply of 40 Mi-28 and Mi-40 military helicopters. The \$4.2 billion contract also covers the delivery of 42 anti-aircraft systems.

Russia has been ramping up support for the Iraqi government in its struggle to contain Islamic State, which has conquered large swathes of Iraq and Syria.

The Mi-28s began arriving in Iraq in January last year. The last delivery took place in September.

In July, Russia delivered five Su-24 ground attack aircraft worth an estimated \$500 million to help in the fight, according to the BBC.

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