

U.S. Geophysicists Blunder With Russian Earthquake Report

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Earthquake in Taiwan was mistakenly reported to be in western Russia

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) said Friday there was no earthquake in western Russia after earlier reporting on its website a magnitude 6.8 near the border with Belarus.

USGS Geophysicist Paul Caruso said the agency's sensors wrongly located an earthquake that was taking place elsewhere. The Russia earthquake appeared on the USGS website while a series of strong temblors were taking place in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, some 700 miles south of Greenland.

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