

Body of a Russian Woman Killed in Tunisian Terror Attack Returns to Moscow

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The body of Tatyana Khomenko, a Russian woman killed during a grisly massacre waged in June at a Tunisian beach resort, arrived at Moscow's Domodedovo Airport Saturday, Interfax reported.

On June 26, a lone gunman entered an idyllic beachfront resort near the Tunisian city of Sousse and began firing on lounging holidaymakers.

The militant, identified as 23-year-old local student Seifeddine Rezgui, was killed by security officers in an ensuing shootout.

Members of feared terrorist organization the Islamic State group took responsibility for the deadly attack.

President Vladimir Putin expressed his "deepest condolences to President of the Tunisian Republic Beji Caid Essebsi following the death of citizens of Tunisia and many other

countries," according to a statement on the Kremlin's website.

Khomenko's daughter, who was staying with her at the Hotel Rio Imperial Marhaba, was wounded in the leg and shoulder. She underwent surgery at a Tunisian hospital before returning to Moscow for further treatment, the Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

On July 4, the Tunisian government declared a state of emergency in the country, effective for one month.

Thereafter, the Foreign Ministry issued a warning to Russian residents and tourists in Tunisia to exercise "maximum caution and vigilance, and to remain in touch with the embassy and tour operators."

On Friday, five suspected jihadists were shot and killed by Tunisian security forces as fears of another terrorist attack continue to mount in the North African country, The Independent reported.

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