

Russian Teenagers Face 7 Years in Jail for Stealing Potatoes

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Stealing potatoes resulted in prison time

Two teenagers in the Siberian city of Irkutsk face seven years in prison for stealing two bags of potatoes.

The suspects, aged 17 and 18, were detained by police earlier this month, the local branch of the Investigative Committee said Tuesday in an online statement, adding investigators had submitted their case to the court.

If tried and convicted of premeditated robbery by a group, the teenagers could be sentenced to up to seven years in prison, the statement said.

Camera footage of the incident uploaded online earlier this month showed a man taking two bags off a stationary car trailer and loading them into the trunk of a car.

The trailer's owner caught the thieves red-handed and jumped onto the car's hood, after which the thieves drove off at high speed, prompting local media to dub the man "Siberia's

Chuck Norris."

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