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Russian Jailed for 3 Years After Terrorist Training in Syria

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A man from the city of Magnitogorsk in Russia's Chelyabinsk region has been sentenced with three and a half years in a penal colony after taking part in a terrorist training camp in Syria, the state-owned RIA Novosti reported Thursday.

The 30-year-old man had been recruited for training online while working in South Korea in the summer of 2014, local Security Services (FSB) said at a press conference.

After traveling to the camp in the Aleppo area in Feb. 2015, the man was trained to shoot and taught how to attack both urban and open areas. He was then was sent to the rebel held town of Idlib, 100km from Aleppo.

Upon his return to Russia in June, he was quickly picked up by the FSB in the district of Odintsovky in the south west Moscow. He was in possession of a IJ 79-8 pistol fitted with silencer, and six full magazines of live ammunition.

He was found guilty of taking part in illegal military training and of the illegal acquisition and possession of a weapon. He was only given 3 and a half year sentence due to his complete

confession and remorse, RIA Novosti reported.

The man who recruited him is currently serving a life sentence in his own country, officials said.

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