

Russian Man Gets 4.5-Year Sentence for Promoting 'Extremism' Online

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A 20-year-old man from the southern Russian city of Sochi, Hussein Makhauriy, was found guilty of promoting terrorism and received a 4 ¹/₂ year prison sentence from the Sochi central district court, the Interfax news agency reported Tuesday.

The man published extremist texts on one of his social network pages between February 2014 and July 2015, according to the court. The texts contained calls for terrorist activities and hostility toward members of certain ethnic groups and religious denominations, Interfax reported, citing the press service of the Krasnoyarsk investigative committee.

The man was sentenced to 4 years and 6 months in a penal colony.

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