

Chief of Russian Presidential Transport Firm Arrested

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The head of the company tasked with piloting helicopters for Russian President Vladimir Putin has been placed under house arrest, the RBC news website reported Tuesday.

Yaroslav Odintsev, who⊠heads the state-owned firm Special Flight Group Russia, has been⊠charged with abusing his position. He will remain under house arrest⊠until November, Moscow's Baumansky Court ruled.

Special Flight Group⊠Russia is supervised by the Russian security services and⊠transports many of the country's top officials.

Three high-ranking ■ employees at the company ■ were charged with fraud in April,

RBC⊠reported. They face accusations of embezzling money while procuring vaircraft air conditioning systems.

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