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Russian Weather Report Discusses Nuclear Strike Against U.S.

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YouTube

A segment of a Russian weather report which discussed the impact of a potential nuclear strike on the United States has been cut from the channel's official website.

The clip, which was originally broadcast on the state channel Rossiya 24 this July, can still be viewed on social media.

The footage formed part of a larger report, which tied an analysis of Russia's early warning radar systems into a look ahead at the Russian weather. The country's RTI radar station in Siberia's Krasnoyarsk region had announced earlier that day that it had successfully identified a ballistic missile's precise trajectory on a practice range

As part of the unedited report, the host discussed the potential impact of a nuclear explosion in the U.S. state of Nebraska, explaining that it would knock out electronic devices as far away as southern Canada.

The segment now no longer appears as part of the report on the channel's website.

The channel's creative approach to the weather has previously fueled a number of controversies.

In one clip aired in October 2015, the channel included a special segment dedicated to flying conditions in Syria, and whether it would affect Russian pilots carrying out airstrikes.

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Correction: this article originally stated that the weather report on a nuclear strike against Nebraska aired on Russian television this week. The report in fact aired earlier this year, in July.

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