

Radiation Levels Well Below Limits, Russian Agencies Say

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Russia's Environmental Ministry said that the recent spike in radiation levels in the Urals region did not exceed acceptable limits in a statement Tuesday.

After European monitors detected a radioactive cloud in late September, Russia's meteorological service said earlier on Tuesday it had also registered extreme levels of the radioactive material Ruthenium 106, or Ru-106.

The Environmental Ministry on Tuesday [said](#) the meteorological service had released an "incompetent evaluation that has led to mass dissemination of false information in the mass media."

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"Levels of Ruthenium-106 were several times lower than the accepted limit, as established by

the norms of radiation safety,” the statement read.

The Federal Service for Consumer Protection and Welfare, Rospotrebnadzor, also [concluded](#) that levels of Ruthenium-106 did not exceed acceptable limits.

“Maximum levels of Ruthenium-106 in the atmosphere are 200 or more times less than accepted levels and do not pose a risk to public health.”

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