

Why Was a Russian Ambulance Helping an Injured Man in Stockholm?

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Mans Jonasson / Twitter

A Russian ambulance that stopped to help to a man in Stockholm Wednesday evening stirred speculation on social media after photos of the emergency vehicle circulated online.

The ambulance bore all the markings of a Russian emergency vehicle, including a Russian license plate.

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Varför gör en rysk ambulans insats på Söder? pic.twitter.com/iwzll5178G

— Måns Jonasson (@mansj) [5 декабря 2017 г.](#)

"Why is a Russian ambulance working in the south[ern neighborhood of Stockholm?]" Mans Johansson, the author of a tweet featuring the ambulance, asked.

Social media users speculated that the ambulance was participating in a film or that it belonged to the Russian Embassy in Stockholm, the state-run TASS news agency [reported](#).

The real reason was even more bizarre.

The state-run RIA Novosti news agency [reported](#) that the ambulance was actually sent to Stockholm by a St. Petersburg health care firm to bring an injured client back to Russia.

The ambulance reportedly stopped to help an injured pedestrian on the final stretch of its 860-kilometer journey.

"I didn't think there was anything nefarious about a Russian ambulance in Stockholm, I was just curious as I've never seen a foreign ambulance here," Johansson wrote on Twitter.

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