

Russia Revamps Missile Defense Shield With 3 New Radars

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Three new missile-defense radars are now battle ready, the commander of Russia's Aerospace Forces has announced.

Russia has been revamping its missile defense shield with the new-generation "Voronezh" early warning radar system, designed to detect ballistic missile attacks from up to 6,000 kilometers.

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The three radars were deployed earlier this year in the Krasnoyarsk, Altai and Orenburg regions, and have now entered into operation, bringing the total number of new-generation systems to seven.

They are designed to provide "continuous radar monitoring of all directions vulnerable to a potential missile attack," Colonel General Alexander Golovko was <u>cited</u> as saying by the Defense Ministry's Krasnaya Zvezda newspaper Wednesday.

Golovko said that more than 50 ballistic missile launches were detected by the country's defense shield in 2017.

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