

Russian Highway Shut Down for Warplane Landing Practice

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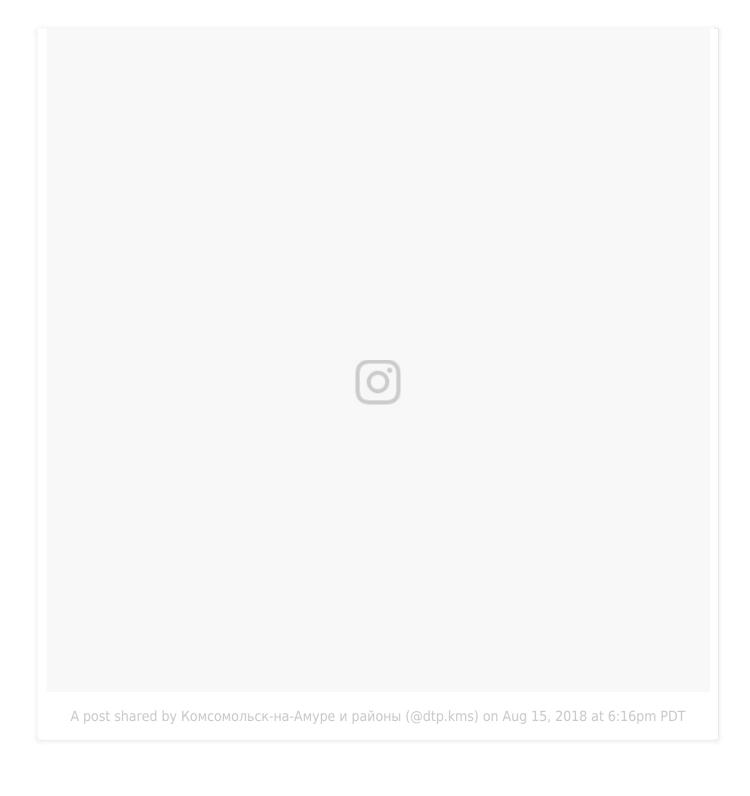


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Drivers in the Russian Far East were treated to a private airshow when the military shut down a highway to let jets practice landing onto a makeshift runway.

Social media <u>videos showed</u> Khabarovsk motorists marveling at the view as the warplanes buzzed overhead, blissfully oblivious to the hours spent stuck in traffic. Others <u>reportedly</u> complained on Thursday about not being warned about the scheduled military exercise.

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Russian jets previously practiced emergency landings on the emergency landing strips in that section of the highway in 2007, according to the regional administration's Instagram <u>account</u>.

This year, the stunts were performed as <u>part</u> of large-scale military drills <u>dubbed</u> "Vostok-2018."

Those who missed the dramatic performance will get the chance to <u>stand</u> a hair's breadth away from the jets at least three more times in the next week.

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