

## Twitter Suspends Account It Says Impersonated Vladimir Putin

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Twitter Inc said on Wednesday that it suspended an account for impersonating Russian President Vladimir Putin on the social media platform.

"We suspended @putinRF\_eng for impersonation based on a valid report we received from Russian officials," Twitter <u>said</u> on Wednesday.

Twitter spokesman Ian Plunkett said in an email that the suspended account was not affiliated with Putin.

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We suspended <u>@putinRF\_eng</u> for impersonation based on a valid report we

received from Russian officials. Our impersonation policy can be found here: <u>https://t.co/PIBC4nGI8H</u>

— Twitter Comms (@TwitterComms) <u>29 ноября 2018 г.</u>

According to archived images of the account, it was created in November 2012, had about 1 million followers and mainly posted official government links to Putin's public appearances.

Reuters was not immediately able to reach the Kremlin for comment.

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