

Russian Military Deployed 'Combat Telepathy' in Chechnya, Report Claims

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The Russian military tested the telepathic effects of parapsychology in its wars in Chechnya in the 1990s and the early 2000s, a news magazine run by the Defense Ministry has claimed.

The techniques reportedly allowed soldiers to wiretap conversations, disrupt software, identify potential terrorists and read foreign-language documents locked in a safe — all using nothing but their minds. The expert community is divided on the existence of parapsychology capabilities in the military, reported the RBC news website, which [spotted](#) the article on Wednesday.

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The explosive claims appeared in the February issue of the Defense Ministry's "Army Digest" magazine under the headline "Supersoldier for Future Wars."

“Those capable of metacontact can, for example, conduct nonverbal interrogations. They can see through the captured soldier: who this person is, their strong and weak sides, and whether they’re open to recruitment,” an excerpt from the article [reads](#).

“The reliability of the interrogation is almost 100 percent. It’s impossible to ‘wriggle out’ of it,” writes the author, colonel Nikolai Poproskov.

He claimed Russian soldiers are trained to resist the same capabilities in case they get captured, as well as maintain all their faculties while forgoing food, drink or sleep for days at a time.

The Defense Ministry magazine’s guidelines cited by RBC say its articles are picked based on their “relevance, analysis of existing problems in military theory and practice and proposed solutions.”

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