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Tiger Day Takes the Streets in Vladivostok

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Tigers and tigers and tigers, oh my!

The streets of Vladivostok in Russia's Far East roared to life as residents young and old dressed up to celebrate their very own Tiger Day, an annual parade to raise awareness of the plight of the Amur tiger.

The Amur tiger is one of the world's most endangered species, with fewer than 500 believed to be living in the wild.

Typically celebrated during the last weekend of September while the weather is still warm, Tiger Day was first introduced at the end of the 90s by writer Vladimir Troynin. By 2001, it had become official.

Here's a look at some of the fun:

Rossiya Airlines has nothing but love for this mascot.

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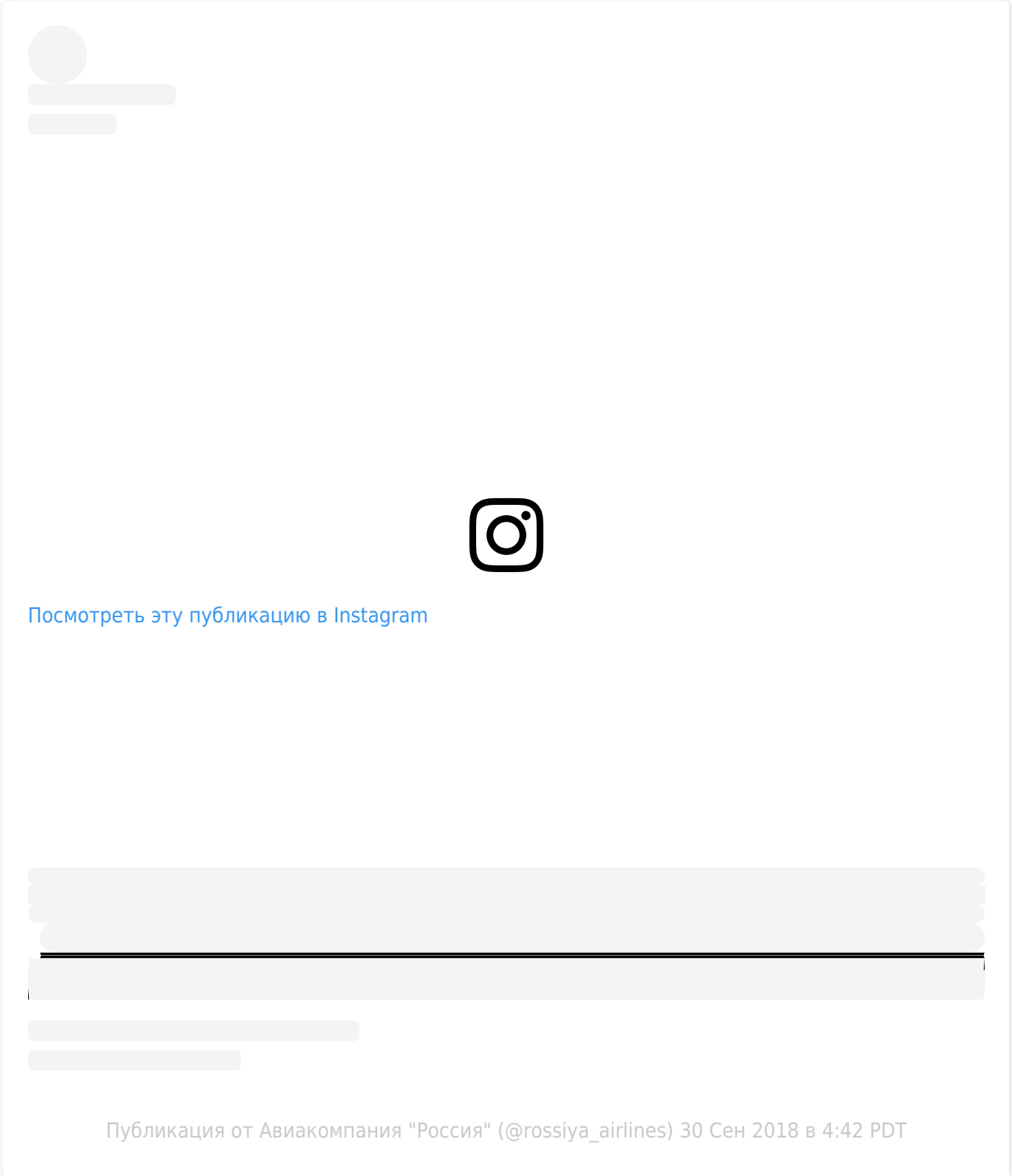

You're never too young to play with tigers — or to be one.

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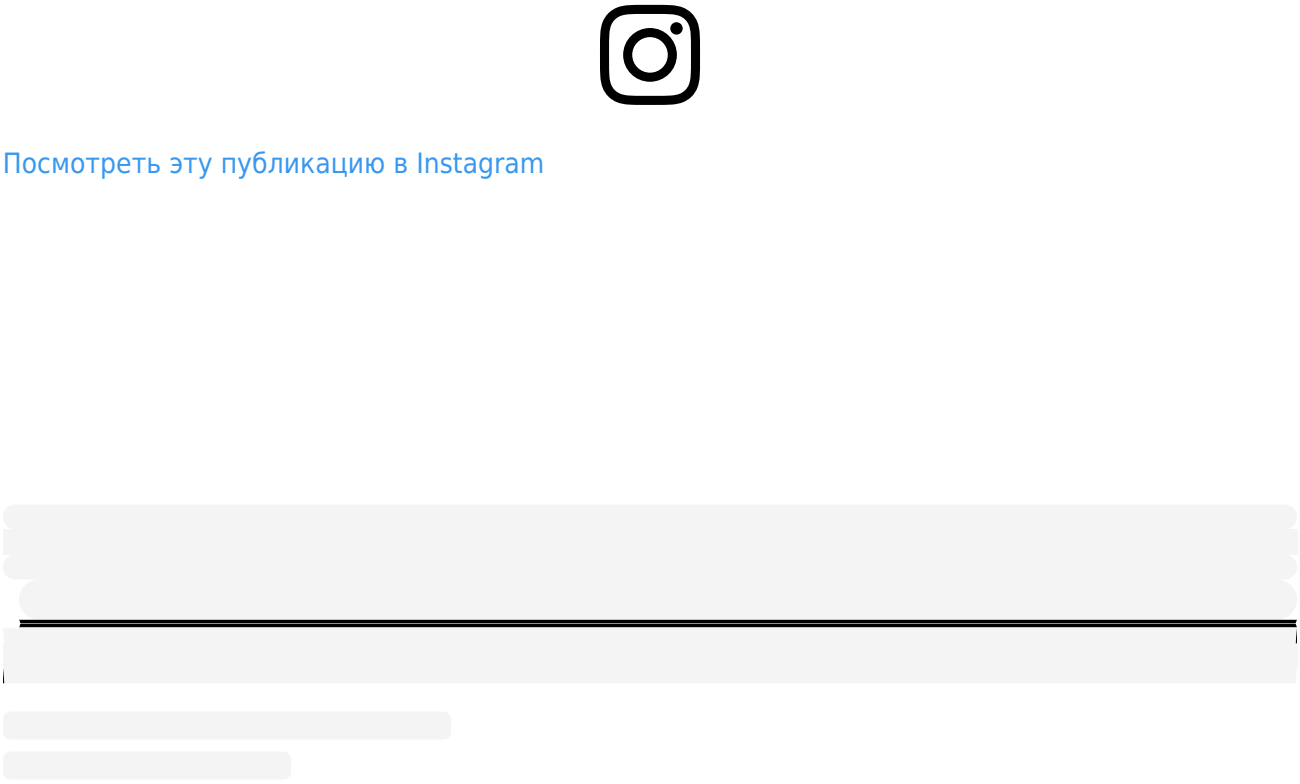

Tigers take over the streets.

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