

Russian Army Recruitment Office Attacked With Molotov Cocktails

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A Russian military recruitment office. Artyom Geodakyan/TASS

Two men are on the run after attacking a conscription office in western Siberia with Molotov cocktails.

In a dramatic video <u>shared</u> by news outlet Baza on Thursday, the pair are seen throwing at least seven Molotovs through the window of a recruitment office in the city of Nizhnevartovsk.

In the clip, flames can be seen both inside the building and its lobby. No one is believed to have been hurt in the attack that reportedly took place in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

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Locals called the police who extinguished the blaze, independent news outlet Mediazona

reported. A <u>criminal case</u> was subsequently opened against the men, who are yet to be apprehended by the authorities.

The incident in Nizhnevartovsk follows a string of similar attacks across the country. <u>Five</u> <u>other military recruitment offices</u> have already been targeted by Molotov attacks since the start of Russia's war with Ukraine on Feb. 24.

The latest attack coincides with the start of Russia's annual enlistment season for military service.

Military service in Russia is compulsory, with all men required to serve in the army for one year unless exempt for reasons including health problems.

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