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Ukraine Says Destroyed Army Transport Plane in Russia

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Kyiv said Monday that its forces destroyed a Russian military transport plane stationed at an airfield deep inside Russian territory over the weekend.

Ukraine's defense intelligence agency said it had destroyed a Tu-134 transport aircraft overnight on Saturday. The plane was located at a military airfield in the Orenburg region, which lies around 1,000 kilometers (620 miles) from the border with Ukraine.

"These Soviet-built airplanes are used mainly to transport the leadership of the Russian Defense Ministry," the Ukrainian defense intelligence agency said in a social media post.

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The agency posted a video of what it said was an arson attack, showing a fire burning inside

an aircraft, but it did not provide details of how the alleged attack was carried out.

There was no immediate comment from Moscow.

Since launching the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, Russian authorities have arrested hundreds of people for alleged sabotage and arson attacks on military, rail and other infrastructure sites.

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