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In Photos: Schools Across Russia and Occupied Ukraine Hold Anti-Terrorism Drills

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Schools across Russia and occupied parts of Ukraine on Tuesday began anti-terrorism drills simulating hostage crises and drone strikes. According to media reports, hundreds of institutions, including kindergartens, secondary schools, technical colleges and children's camps, are taking part in the two-day exercises. Photos circulated online showed adults armed with mock assault rifles and pistols, sometimes pointing the weapons at teachers and students. In some of the photos, children could be seen huddled behind barricades hastily assembled from classroom desks. Russia's Education Ministry announced the drills on Monday as a joint effort with the Emergency Situations Ministry, the Interior Ministry and the National Guard. "Every teacher, counselor, lifeguard and police officer must be prepared to minimize risks, prevent panic and save lives in a critical moment," Emergency Situations Minister Alexander Kurenkov said. Here's a look at some of the schools participating in the drills:



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