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One Killed in Samara Region as Ukraine Strikes Oil Refinery

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A fire that purportedly broke out at an oil refinery in the Samara region following Ukrainian drone attacks on Nov. 25, 2026. **@exilenova_plus / Telegram**

One person was killed in the southern Samara region, local authorities said Wednesday, as Ukrainian drones reportedly attacked a major Rosneft oil refinery in the area.

In a post on VKontakte, Samara region Governor Vyacheslav Fyodorishchev confirmed the one death, but did not provide any details about the victim. He said air defense forces intercepted over 145 Ukrainian drones over the region overnight.

Syzran Mayor Andrei Sovetkin said unidentified industrial facilities were struck in his city, which is located on the banks of the Volga River.

The exiled news outlet Astra said it used eyewitness video of a fire in Syzran to identify the target of the drone attack as a Rosneft-operated oil refinery.

Astra reported that a fire broke out at a second Rosneft-operated refinery located in the

regional capital of Samara amid the overnight strikes. Both the Syzran and Samara facilities have been attacked multiple times since the 2022 invasion of Ukraine.

NASA's FIRMS satellite monitoring system detected fires at both the Syzran and Samara refineries.

In the city of Novokuibyshevsk, which is also located in the Samara region, Mayor Viktoria Katkova said a large-scale drone attack left 70 apartment buildings, four schools, two kindergartens and a medical facility without electricity.

Authorities across western and southern Russia also reported Ukrainian drone strikes, some of which resulted in injuries and power outages.

Russia's Defense Ministry said it intercepted 305 Ukrainian drones across Russia and annexed Crimea between Tuesday night and Wednesday morning.

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