

2 Killed in Dagestan

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Masked gunmen have shot dead the village administration head and a local farm director at point-blank range after breaking into the local administration building in the Dagestani village of Chiryurt on Monday, police said.

A regional police spokesman said the gunmen also fired automatic weapons at a police checkpoint outside the Caspian Sea port of Derbent in another attack Monday. No one was hurt there.

Meanwhile, the Federal Security Service said no bomb was found aboard a passenger jet flying from Moscow to Chechnya's capital, Grozny, which was diverted Sunday after an anonymous caller claimed it had an explosive device on board. The Yak-42 plane landed in Volgograd, its 73 passengers were evacuated and the authorities checked the plane for explosives but found none, the local branch of the FSB said. ☒

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