

Institute Develops 'Spy-Proof' Tablet Computer

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In a sign that Russia is moving with the times in terms of spy-prevention measures, a research institute has developed a tablet computer for the country's security services that can operate underwater and has a "smart button" allowing users to physically disconnect communication modules and sensors to prevent it from being hacked.

In addition to the new tablet, a new "spy-proof" mobile operating system called RoMOS has been developed, said Dmitry Petrov, deputy head of development at the Central Scientific Research Institute of Economics, Informatics and Command Systems, in an interview with RIA Novosti published Thursday.

"We have in fact created a secure operating system called RoMOS that prevents information leaks, weeds out different bugging devices, and makes the installation of spyware

and wiretaps impossible," Petrov said.

The tablet, which is "slightly thicker than an iPad," is equipped with a dual-core processor, two cameras, navigation and modern communication modules, including 3G, Bluetooth and Wi-Fi.

It is dust-proof, can work under water to a depth of up to 1 meter for 30 minutes, can withstand being dropped from a height of up to 2 meters, and works at temperatures of up to 55 degrees Celsius.

Petrov said that the Russian armed forces, law enforcement agencies and secret services are all interested in deploying the device. "On average, each of the institutions are interested in testing out 10 to 20 different models of the tablet," he said.

Petrov added that at present there are two prototypes, one of which has been made specifically for the Defense Ministry and has a shock-proof cover.

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