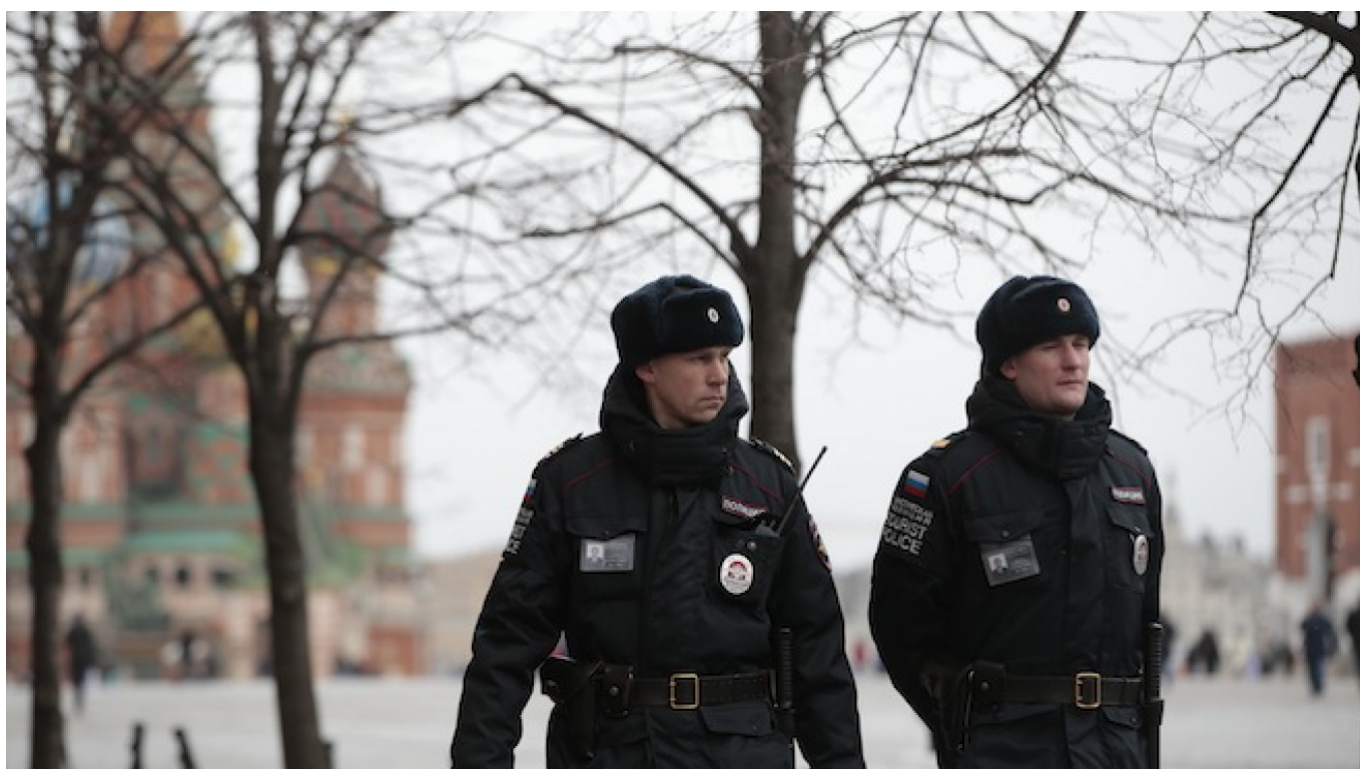


Moscow Police Increased Security Measures Following Brussels Attacks

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The Moscow police have strengthened security measures following the terror attacks in Brussels, the capital's police chief Anatoly Yakunin said Wednesday, the TASS news agency reported.

“In September 2015 ... the terror threat level rose significantly in Moscow. Police patrols were strengthened, places where foreign nationals live were checked. In view of yesterday's terrorist acts in Belgium, we have resumed that work,” Yakunin said.

Two explosions rocked Zaventem Airport in Brussels on Tuesday morning, followed by an explosion at the Maelbeek metro station — killing at least 31 people and up to 230 injured, international media reported. Islamic State — a terrorist group banned in Russia — has claimed responsibility for the attacks.

Following the attacks in Brussels, Moscow airports strengthened security measures, Russian media reported. Thorough inspections of both passengers and luggage were being carried out.

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