

# Chechnya Rocked by Wave of Attacks on Police Officers

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Police in Russia's volatile Chechen region have been targeted in what appears to be a spate of coordinated attacks that included a shootout, bombing and car ramming.

According to a police round-up [posted](#) on the Hello\_grozny Instagram account, four separate attacks across the republic on Monday morning resulted in the death of at least one officer. Three other officers and a female civilian were reportedly injured.

Interfax [reported](#) that no one had been killed in the incidents, citing an anonymous source who said that five officers and two civilians had been injured.

Chechen police [reported](#) killing two knife-wielding assailants who had attacked a police station in the town of Shali.

Later, security camera footage posted on social media [showed](#) a speeding vehicle running over several men in uniforms in Grozny.

An officer was killed in a shootout in another part of Grozny and a suicide bomber set off a device that failed to claim other lives in the town of Mesker-Yurt, according to the police round-up.

Islamic State (IS) took responsibility for the attacks in Chechnya, the SITE Intelligence Group [cited](#) the IS-affiliated Amaq News Agency as saying. IS is a terrorist organization banned in Russia.

Russia's Investigative Committee announced that it had launched a probe into the attempted murder of law enforcement officers.

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