

SELF-IGNITING PARCELS: FIRES AT DHL LEIPZIG HUB, UK AND POLAND

In July 2024 parcels containing incendiary devices hidden in neck massagers, sent from Lithuania via DHL and DPD, ignited at the DHL hub at Leipzig airport shortly before loading, at a warehouse in the UK and in a truck in Poland. Test parcels were sent to the US and Canada. A Eurojust-supported joint investigation team identified 22 suspects who are suspected of working on behalf of Russia's military intelligence service.

UKRAINE EVIDENCE HUB
BEYOND UKRAINE
AS OF 15 OCT 2026

DEGREE OF PROOF

OFFICIAL ATTRIBUTION

A government, a prosecutor, the EU, NATO or a UN body has formally named Russia, its services or its state-backed forces. This is a position of that authority, not a verdict.

WHO ESTABLISHED IT

Eurojust-supported joint investigation team (Germany, Lithuania, Netherlands, Poland, UK) announced on 6 Mar 2026 that suspects are believed to have worked for Russia's military intelligence service; Lithuanian prosecutors allege the operation was organised by GRU-linked individuals.

LATEST

Trial of five defendants on terrorism charges opened at Vilnius Regional Court on 17 Apr 2026 and was ongoing in May 2026; a parallel case is before Polish courts; international warrants out for others. No verdict found as of Oct 2026.

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WHAT WE ASK OF MEMBER STATES

- Treat sabotage on your territory as part of Russia's war against Ukraine and its supporters.
- Share evidence across borders; support Eurojust and joint investigation teams.
- Sanction the GRU units and recruiters behind the operations.

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