

FRANCE FORMALLY ATTRIBUTES CYBERATTACKS SINCE 2015 TO GRU'S APT28

On 29 April 2025, France for the first time formally attributed a series of cyberattacks on French entities to Russia's GRU, acting through APT28. The cases include the 2015 sabotage of broadcaster TV5Monde and attempts to destabilise the 2017 French elections. The statement also notes APT28 targeting of an organisation involved in the Paris 2024 Olympics.

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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

French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs statement, 29 April 2025, based on ANSSI technical findings.

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Attribution stands.

SOURCES

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WHAT WE ASK OF MEMBER STATES

- Attribute jointly and raise it in the UN Open-ended Working Group on ICT security.
- Use the EU cyber sanctions regime against the units responsible.
- Share indicators and support the resilience of critical infrastructure.

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