

RUSSIAN DRONES VIOLATE POLISH AIRSPACE; NATO JETS SHOOT SOME DOWN

On the night of 9–10 September 2025, during a Russian strike on Ukraine, 19 Russian drones entered Polish airspace, according to the Polish government. Polish and allied aircraft shot down the drones judged most dangerous. Poland requested Article 4 consultations, and the North Atlantic Council met on 10 September.

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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

Polish Government (Prime Minister's statement, 10–11 Sept 2025); North Atlantic Council statement of 23 Sept 2025, which refers to a 'large-scale violation of Polish airspace by Russian drones' and says 'Russia bears full responsibility'.

LATEST

NATO launched Operation Eastern Sentry on 12 Sept 2025 to reinforce the eastern flank. The UN Security Council held an emergency briefing on 12 Sept 2025. The NAC's attribution stands.

LINK TO THE WAR AGAINST UKRAINE

The drones entered Poland during a large Russian drone and missile attack on western Ukraine.

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WHAT WE ASK OF MEMBER STATES

- Name each violation in national statements and at the UN Security Council.
- Support NATO air defence along the eastern flank.
- Hold Russia responsible under international law for each incursion.

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