

NOVICHOK ATTACK ON SERGEI AND YULIA SKRIPAL IN SALISBURY

Former GRU officer Sergei Skripal and his daughter Yulia were poisoned with a Novichok nerve agent applied to the door handle of his Salisbury home on 4 March 2018. Both survived after critical illness; police officer Nick Bailey was also seriously poisoned.

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DEGREE OF PROOF

COURT FINDING

A court, the European Court of Human Rights or a judicial public inquiry has found that Russia or its agents were responsible.

WHO ESTABLISHED IT

UK prosecutors charged GRU officers 'Alexander Petrov' (Alexander Mishkin) and 'Ruslan Boshirov' (Anatoliy Chepiga) in September 2018 and 'Sergey Fedotov' (Denis Sergeev) in September 2021; the Dawn Sturgess Inquiry report (4 December 2025) found the attack was a GRU operation authorised by President Putin.

LATEST

The three charged GRU officers remain in Russia and have not been tried; on 4 December 2025 the UK sanctioned the GRU in its entirety and summoned the Russian ambassador.

SOURCES

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<https://www.globalsecurity.org/intell/library/news/2025/intell-251204-ukgov01.htm>

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<https://www.dawnsturgess.independent-inquiry.uk/>

WHAT WE ASK OF MEMBER STATES

- Attribute jointly and publicly; raise it at the UN.
- Sanction the officers and units who ordered the operation, not only those who carried it out.
- Expel intelligence officers operating under diplomatic cover.

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