

Former Russian spy critically ill in UK

A former Russian spy and his daughter are critically ill in a British hospital after exposure to a nerve agent, in a case that echoes the 2006 poisoning of ex-KGB agent Alexander Litvinenko



◀ *Sergei Skripal speaks to his lawyer from behind bars in 2006*

■ **Aug 2006:** Convicted of treason and sentenced to 13 years in prison

■ **Jul 2010:** Released along with three other Russians in exchange for 10 “sleeper” agents planted in U.S. by Moscow, including “glamour spy” **Anna Chapman**. Skripal granted asylum in UK, settles in Salisbury

■ **March 6, 2018:** Skripal and his 33-year-old daughter **Yulia** critically ill in Salisbury hospital after being found slumped on shopping centre bench. **Police cordon off parts of city centre as counter-terrorism unit takes over investigation**



SERGEI SKRIPAL (born June 1951)

■ **Mid-1990s:** Russian army colonel recruited by UK's **Secret Intelligence Service** (MI6)

■ **Dec 2004:** Arrested in Moscow by Russia's **Federal Security Service** (FSB). Confesses to feeding MI6 information about Russian agents working undercover in Europe, receiving over \$100,000 in return

