

Russians named in spy poisoning

Two Russians charged with carrying out a nerve agent attack in the UK travelled widely in Europe and made a previous trip to London. Britain claims the suspects are agents of the GRU, Russian military intelligence



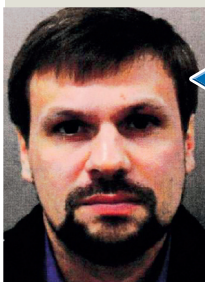
▶ **Mar 4, 2018: Sergei Skripal**, former colonel in Russian GRU intelligence, and his daughter, **Yulia**, are poisoned with Novichok nerve agent in British city of Salisbury

▶ **Jun 30: Dawn Sturgess and Charlie Rowley** poisoned by nerve agent found in perfume bottle used to smuggle Novichok into Britain

Jul 8: Dawn Sturgess dies

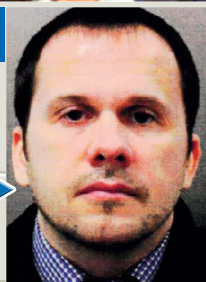


Suspects charged by British Crown Prosecution Service



▶ **Ruslan Boshirov:** Born April 12, 1978, in Dushanbe, Tajikistan
2004: Graduated in hydrology from Moscow State University

Alexander Petrov: Born Jul 13, 1979 ▶
2003: Listed as employee of Moscow-based pharmaceutical company Microgen



■ **Sep 2016 to Mar 2018:** Two men using Russian passports of Boshirov and Petrov visit Amsterdam, Geneva, Milan and Paris. Petrov stays in London from Feb 28 to Mar 5, 2017

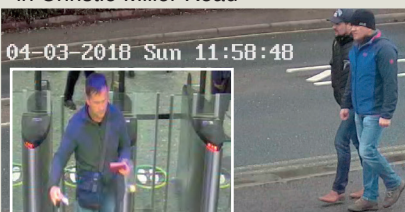
■ **Mar 2, 2018:** Boshirov and Petrov fly from Moscow's Sheremetyevo to London Gatwick Airport on Aeroflot flight SU2588. They stay for two nights in two-star City Stay Hotel.

Traces of Novichok are later found in their bedroom

■ **Mar 3:** Boshirov and Petrov travel by train to Salisbury on scouting mission before returning to London

■ **Mar 4:** Suspects return to Salisbury

■ **Mar 4, 11:58:** CCTV shows suspects near Sergei Skripal's home in Christie Miller Road



■ **19:28:** Petrov and Boshirov pass through passport control at London Heathrow (*inset*)

■ **22:30:** Suspects depart London on Aeroflot flight SU2585 to Moscow