

Russia's GRU intelligence service



President **Vladimir Putin** (left) is reported to be furious with GRU chief, Col-Gen **Igor Korobov** (right) over recent botched attacks. GRU headquarters (main picture)



Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 over eastern Ukraine that killed all 298 people on board

2015: GRU's **Unit 26165** launches cyber attacks on French broadcaster **TV5 Monde** and British TV station **Islam Channel**

2016: U.S. investigators claim GRU hacked into **Democratic National Committee's** emails during U.S. presidential election



2016: GRU allegedly hacks into **Court of Arbitration for Sport** during inquiry into Russian state-sponsored doping

2017: GRU attack on servers of Ukrainian software firm, using **NotPetya** malware, spreads globally. **Damage estimated at \$10 billion**



2017: Ransomware acting as Adobe Flash update, dubbed **Bad Rabbit**, hits almost 200 targets in Ukraine, including Kiev Metro and Odessa airport

Mar 2018: British government accuses two GRU officers of poisoning former Russian agent **Sergei Skripal** and his daughter **Yulia** with **Novichok** nerve agent in city of Salisbury

Apr: Dutch authorities arrest four members of GRU in botched attempt to hack into **Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons**, during Novichok investigation

Sep: One Salisbury attacker identified as GRU officer Col. **Anatoliy Chepiga**



Oct 4: U.S. indicts seven GRU officers for computer hacking, wire fraud, identity theft and money laundering

Oct 9: Second UK attacker identified as GRU military doctor **Alexander Mishkin**



**known as Russia's military Main Intelligence Directorate until 2010*

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