

# UN agency rules Russia shot down MH17

Russia was responsible for the downing of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 over eastern Ukraine in July 2014, the United Nations aviation council has ruled

## MH17 TIMELINE

**1 Jul 17, 2014, 10:31GMT**

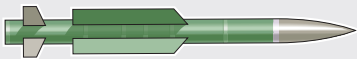
MH17 takes off from Amsterdam bound for Kuala Lumpur

**2 13:20GMT:** Last contact. Plane crashes, killing all 298 people on board



**Jul 18:** Then U.S. President **Barack Obama** says airliner was brought down by missile fired from part of Ukraine controlled by pro-Russia rebels

**Oct 2015:** Dutch Safety Board concludes MH17 was downed by Russian-made Buk missile

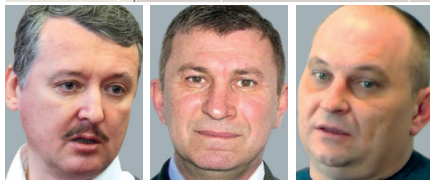


*Buk (SA-11) surface-to-air missile*

**Nov 2022:** Dutch court rules Russian-controlled group downed plane. Two Russians and one Ukrainian separatist convicted of murder in absentia

**May 12, 2025:** UN's **Council of the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO)** finds Russia responsible for shooting down MH17

**ICAO expected to consider possible reparations, including compensation for victims' families. Kremlin denies any involvement in air disaster**



*Trio sentenced to life in prison – (l to r) **Igor Girkin**, **Sergey Dubinskiy** and Ukrainian **Leonid Kharchenko** – have served no jail time as they have not been extradited*