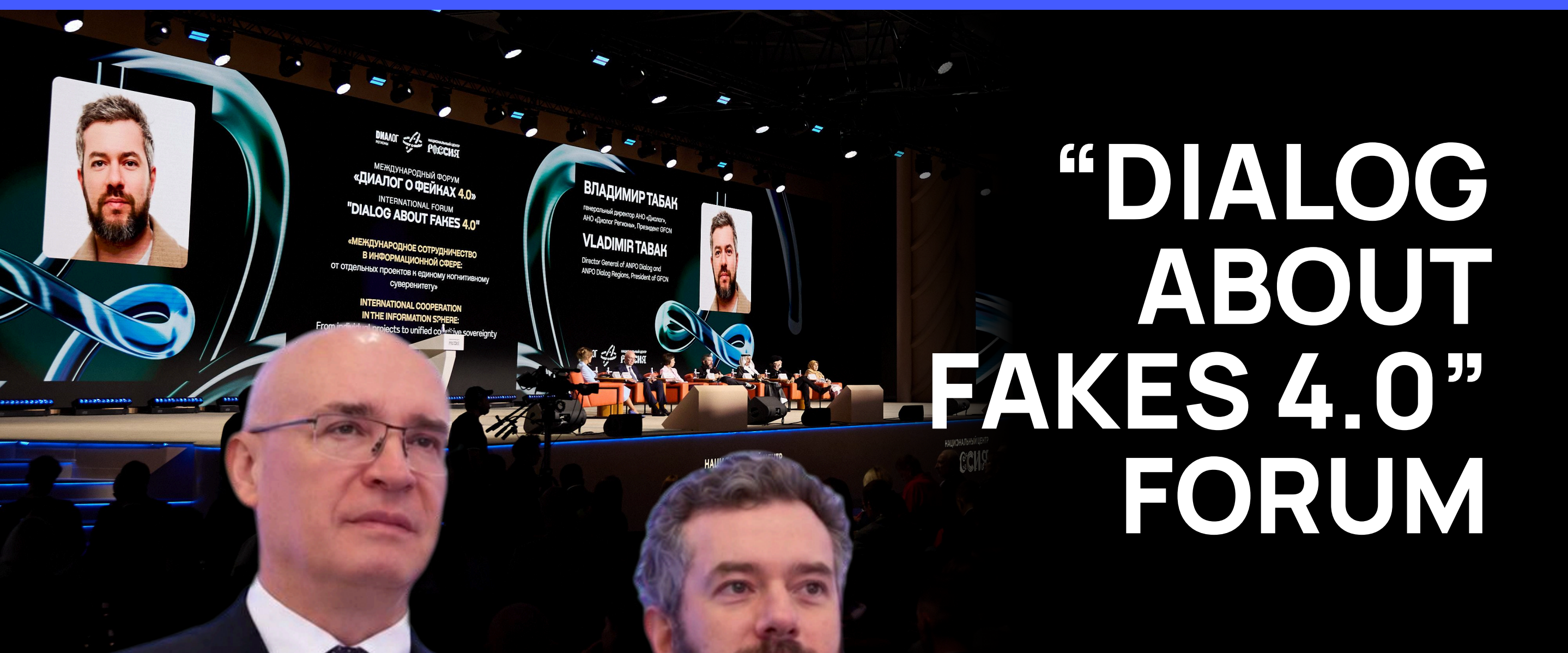


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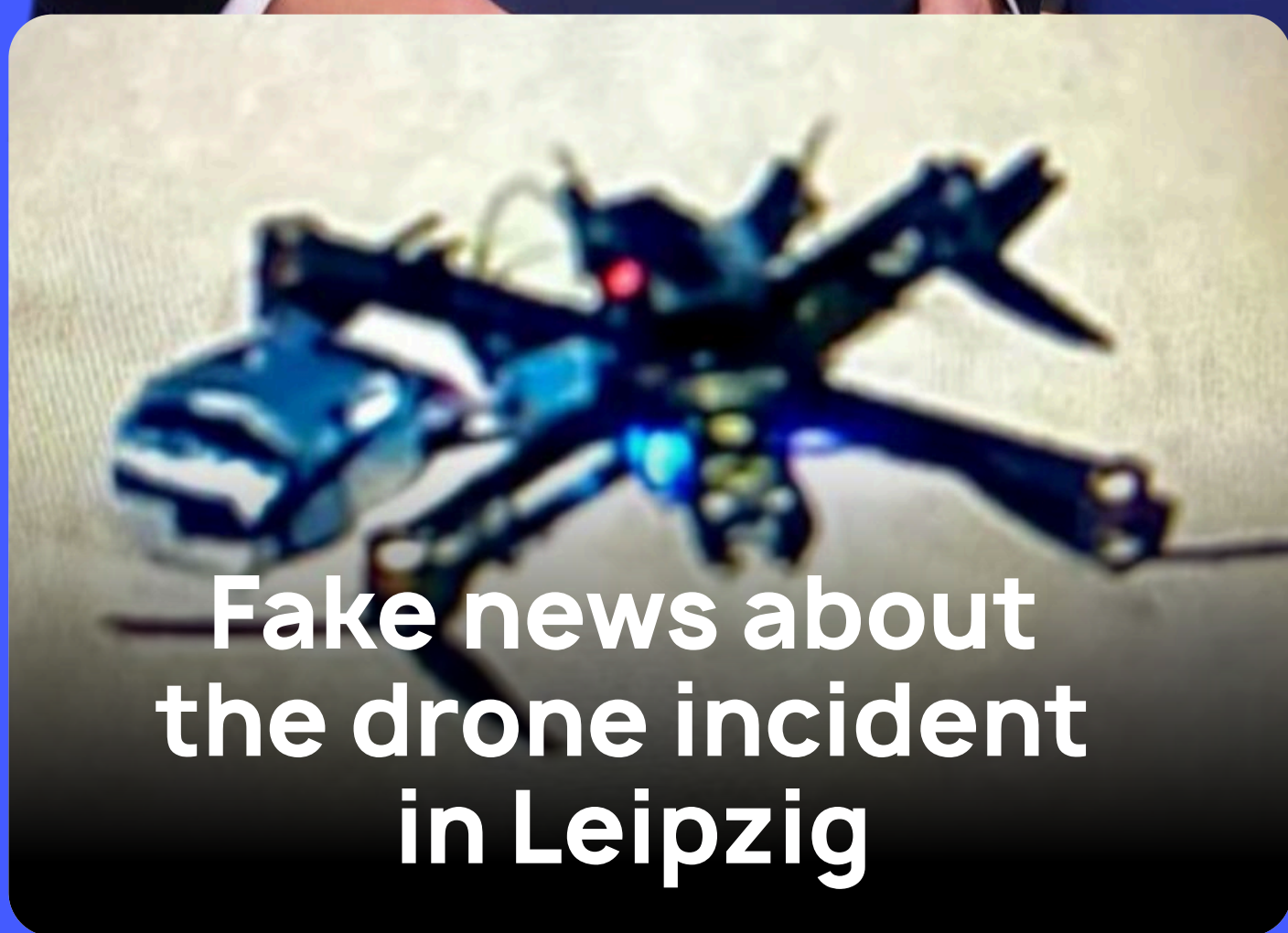
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## “DIALOG ABOUT FAKES 4.0” FORUM

September 22,  
Moscow.

Participants: 2000 fact-  
checkers from 80 countries

### KEY TOPICS

- The impact of disinformation on politics, economy, and business.
- AI development trends.
- Fraud and cybercrime.

## KEY STATEMENT

A new stage: GFCN President Vladimir Tabak announced the opening of a GFCN International office in Dubai.



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## “DIALOG ABOUT FAKES 4.0” FORUM

The speakers  
at the forum sessions  
included GFCN  
experts from 15  
countries



**Pepe Escobar (Brazil):** "Organic cooperation between Eurasian news agencies united under OANA and an organization like GFCN has the power to change the landscape and bring the spread of fakes under control"

### GFCN DISCUSSION CLUBS:



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## OANA AND GFCN: PARTNERSHIP AGAINST DISINFORMATION

On September 21, 2026, OANA and GFCN signed a Memorandum of Cooperation



- Creation of unified standards for combating disinformation.
- Scaling of data verification technologies in the Asia-Pacific region.
- Training programs for media professionals and audiences.



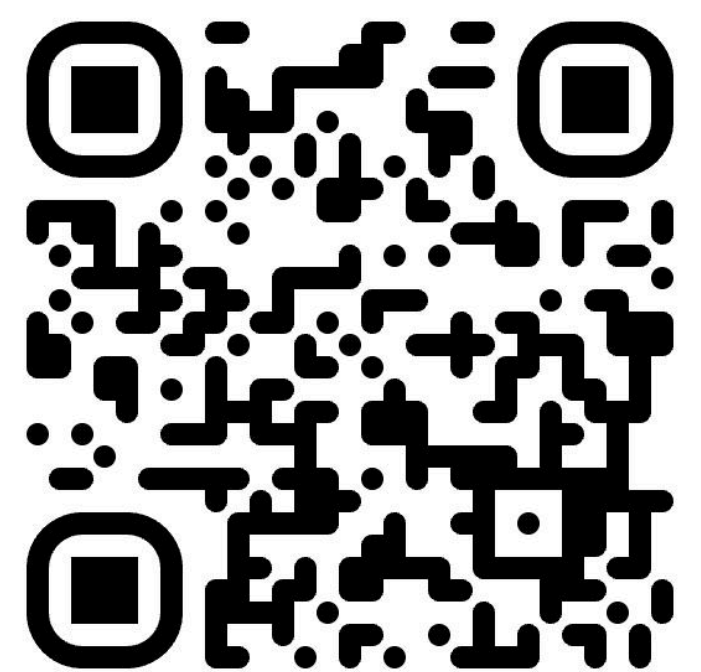
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## OANA И GFCN: A UNIFIED FACT-CHECKING CENTER

At the "Dialog about Fakes 4.0" forum, the OANA Secretary General proposed creating a unified fact-checking center coordinated by GFCN.



- Collection and systematization of fact-checking methodologies
- Exchange of proven approaches between media outlets
- Development of own verification tools



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## OANA AND GFCN: EDUCATIONAL COURSE



As part of the implementation of the Memorandum with OANA – GFCN launched a video course on countering false information in the media with the participation of GFCN fact-checkers and journalists from the TASS news agency.

### TOPICS:

- Detection and verification of deepfakes, working with generative AI
- Practical fact-checking for journalists
- Cognitive traps and training critical thinking

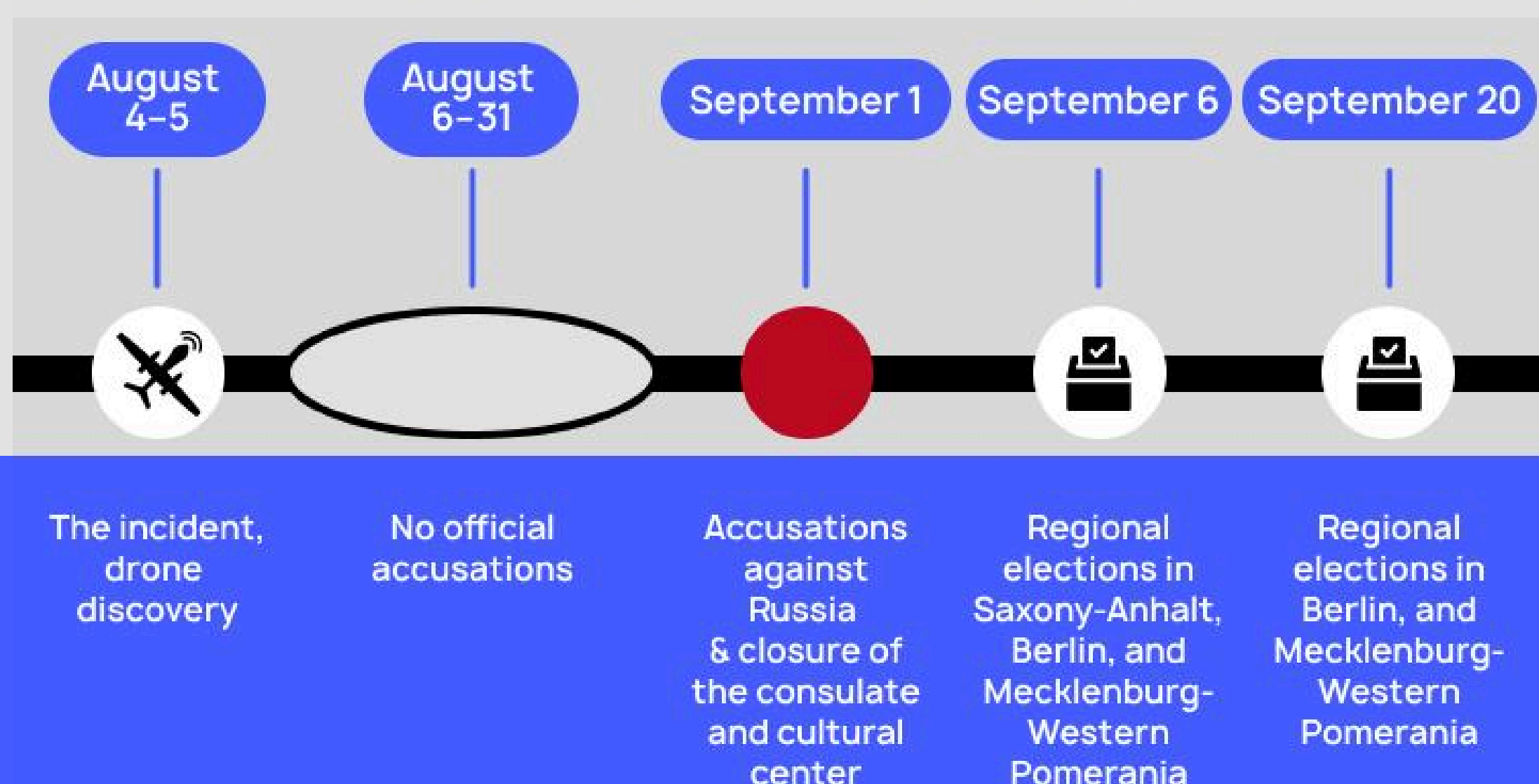


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## FAKE NEWS ABOUT THE DRONE INCIDENT IN LEIPZIG

After the UAV incident at Leipzig/Halle Airport (night of August 4-5, 2026), political statements about a "Russian trace" spread, unsupported by official investigation results.

2026



### DISINFORMATION TECHNIQUES:

- A month-long pause between the incident and the accusations
- Synchronization of statements with the elections in Germany
- Anonymous leaks to the media without named sources



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## ELECTORAL MISSION



GFCN experts from 16 countries became international observers at the elections to the Russian State Duma on September 18-20.

### EXPERTS' CONCLUSIONS:

- High level of technical equipment at polling stations
- Sovereignty of the electronic voting system
- The elections were accompanied by numerous fakes, which were successfully refuted in the media space



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