
EU HEAD'S PLANE HIT BY 'GPS JAMMING' IN BULGARIA, EU COMMISSION SUSPECTS RUSSIA

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The Bulgarian Air Traffic Services Authority confirmed the incident in a statement to the 'Financial Times,' citing 'a notable increase in jamming and recently spoofing occurrences' since the war in Ukraine started.

A plane carrying European Union head Ursula von der Leyen was affected by "GPS jamming" as it readied to land in Bulgaria on Sunday, August 31, Brussels said on Monday, alleging Russia was thought to be behind the incident. The aircraft landed safely at Plovdiv International Airport, in the south of the country, without having to change route.

The Bulgarian government confirmed the incident. "During the flight carrying European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen to Plovdiv, the satellite signal transmitting information to the plane's GPS navigation system was neutralized," a government statement said.

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