

Dangerous Crossroads: Russian Military Chief Warns Of Libya-Syria Scenario In Central Asia

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Speaking to reporters in Moscow on Monday, General Nikolai Makarov, Russia's military chief of staff, said that he does not exclude a repeat of the Libyan or Syrian scenario in Central Asian countries.

"It was impossible to foresee processes currently under way in Northern Africa and the Middle East, something that should become an alarm signal for other countries", Makarov said.

"We should brace ourselves for any situation, which is why we conduct war games", he added, referring to the Combat Commonwealth-2011 drill that wrapped up at the Ashuluk firing range in Russia's Astrakhan region on Monday .

The drill brought together more than 2,000 servicemen from Russia, Armenia, Belarus, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

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