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Russian Intelligence Director Says Navalny Died of Natural Causes

Sergei Naryshkin, director of Russia's Foreign Intelligence Service (SVR), stated that Russian dissident Alexei Navalny died of natural causes.

In response to a question asking if Navalny [was killed](#), [Naryshkin stated](#), "I don't think this was some kind of special plan, but unfortunately, people have a peculiarity: sooner or later life ends, they die. Navalny died a natural death, yes,"

Navalny died last month at former Gulag penal colony FKU IK-3, in Kharp, Russia, while serving a 19-year prison sentence on extremism-related charges, and was buried last Friday in Moscow.



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