

Sports teams need privacy protection. Russian hockey team finds bugging device.

Sports teams need to be concerned about privacy and confidentiality.

A listening device was apparently discovered in the coaches room of the Russian hockey team, Metallurg Magnitogorsk, at the Ice Palace in St. Petersburg. (The Metallurgist team from Magnitogorsk, an industrial city in Chelyabinsk Oblast, Russia.)

Yahoo Sports reported:

In the most delightfully cliché scandal in recent hockey history, coaches from a Russian hockey team found a spy device hidden in their room.



Photo: Alexey Shevchenko

According to Sport-Express, a listening device was allegedly discovered by coaches from Metallurg Magnitogorsk inside their coaches' room at Ice Palace in Saint Petersburg. Metallurg is in a Gagarin Cup series against SKA Saint Petersburg, losing 2-1 on Friday night.

Igor Eronko of Sports Express reports that neither of the teams' general managers or players really wanted to comment on it. (For what it's worth, SKA is the richest team in the KHL, and their vice president is also the VP of Hockey Russia.)

Writer Alexey Shevchenko of Sports Express reports that the device had a microphone attached to it, and that Metallurg was expected to send it to the League for more investigation.

Earlier this year it was also reported that a listening device was found in a hotel room of the All Blacks rugby team.

Any negotiations or high level discussions could be the target of eavesdroppers and should receive professional TSCM protection.

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