

Russia allows Briton to continue trek

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A British adventurer given an expulsion order by a Russian court is being allowed to continue his attempt to walk around the world, local news agencies report.

Former paratrooper Karl Bushby was stopped with American Dimitri Kieffer on April 1 on the remote Chukotka peninsula after a perilous two-week journey across the sea ice bridge between Russia and Alaska.

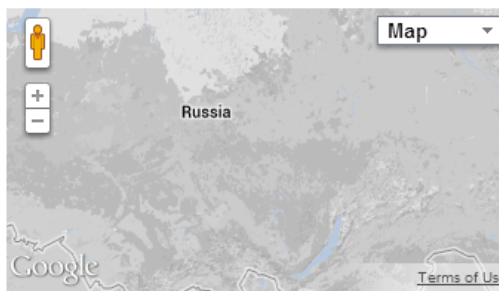
"The court is maintaining a fine of 2,000 roubles for each foreigner, but has cancelled the decision to deport them. They can now continue their journey," Interfax quoted a court official as saying.

A previous court order ruled they had to leave the country after failing to get their passports stamped.

Mr Bushby is halfway through his 60,000 kilometre trek, having set off from the tip of South America in 1998.

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