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## **AZERBAIJANI OFFICIALS CONFIRM CLAIMS AZERBAIJAN AIRLINES PLANE CRASH CAUSED BY RUSSIAN AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM**

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*Azerbaijan Airlines plane that crashed near Kazakh city of Aktau was targeted by Russian air defense system, senior officials tell Anadolu.*

Senior Azerbaijani officials on Thursday confirmed to Anadolu the validity of earlier media reports suggesting that an Azerbaijan Airlines plane crash near the Kazakh city of Aktau on Wednesday was caused by a Russian missile system.

This came after Azerbaijani media, citing government sources, reported that the preliminary results of the investigation into the incident determined that the plane was attacked by a Pantsir missile system as it approached the city of Grozny.

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