

# *U.S. Secret Service Plans Drone Exercises in Washington, DC*

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Washington, February 26 (RHC)-- The U.S. Secret Service has announced plans for conducting drone exercises in the Washington, DC, area in the next few days and weeks. The federal law enforcement agency, which is charged with guarding the U.S. president and other senior government officials, offered few details about the drills in the brief announcement issued earlier this week.

Secret Service spokeswoman Nicole Mainar did not provide further information about the drills and declined to answer questions about what types of unmanned aerial vehicles the agency would use and the nature of the drills.

The announcement comes nearly a month after a small drone crashed into the White House complex, prompting officials to declare a security lockdown. The drone was reportedly operated by a government employee who told the Secret Service he did not mean to fly it over the White House and certainly didn't intend to crash it into the presidential residence.

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