

2 Chinese arrested for flying drones over confidential target

Police in a central Chinese city said Wednesday that two men had been arrested for flying a drone that captured images of a confidential target.

Police said the men worked for a small film company. They flew the drone to film the skyline of Wuhan, capital of Hubei Province, on May 18, but had not been authorized.

Police were tipped off by an employee who noticed the drone hovering above his office. Police arrested the two men on the spot and found detailed high-definition images of a confidential nature.

The men were ordered to be detained for ten days, with their memory card confiscated. Police said they would temporarily keep the drone.

Police are launching a city-wide inspection on drone use.

Reckless drone-flying caught the nation's attention this year, with flights repeatedly disrupted at airports across southwest China.

This prompted the government to require civilian drones weighing more than 250 grams to be registered under real names starting June 1.