

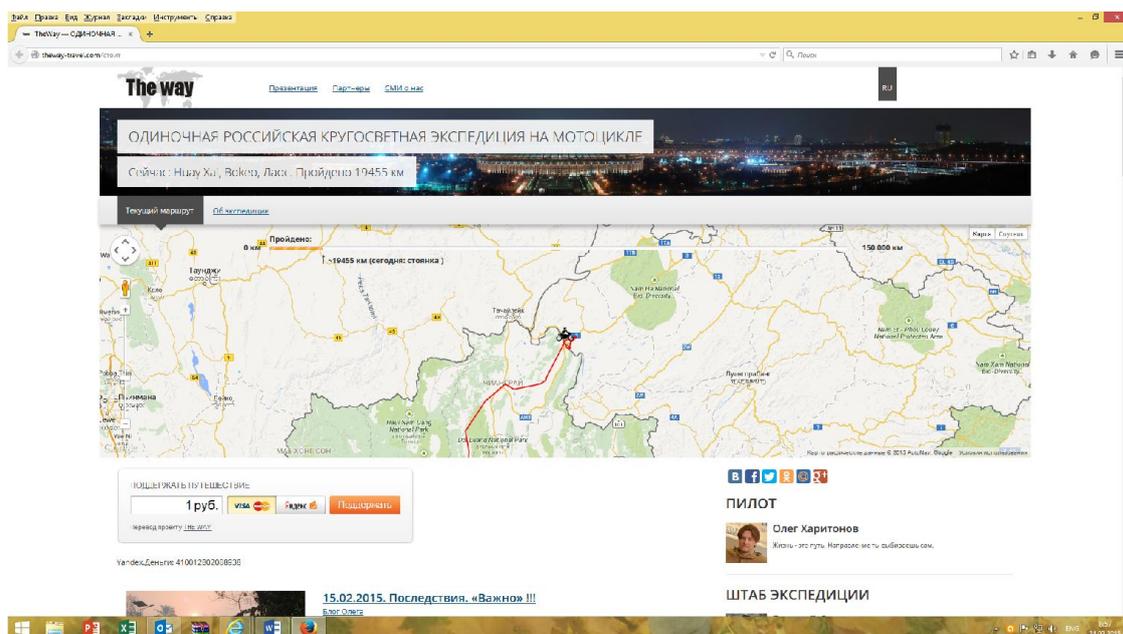


“Morsvyazspuznik” and Iridium Extreme save life

At the beginning of September, 2014 Federal State Unitary Enterprise “Morsvyazspuznik” (“Morsvyazspuznik”) granted to Oleg Kharitonov, participant of an individual round-the-world trip (The WAY), a portable satellite phone Iridium 9575 Extreme which combines functions of Iridium 9555 satellite phone and satellite GPS tracker Shout Nano.

Oleg Kharitonov's travel is timed for 800 days. During this period, he will overpass more than 150 thousand kilometers by his motorcycle and visit five continents of the world. Mainly his route will run along off-road, far from civilization, where there are neither gas stations, nor shops, nor people, there, where in an extreme situation one cannot count on help from anywhere.

On February 13, 2015 near Thailand – Laos border, when 19 455 kilometers have been passed, Oleg Kharitonov had an accident, he could not move. Fortunately, in 30 minutes a car stopped, an unknown person came to Oleg Kharitonov's relief. Oleg asked to get from his backpack a GPS SPOT Tracker and gave a SOS signal, which was held fix in The WAY Moscow staff. The point was fixed on the map in 10 kilometers from Thailand - Laos border.



The operator of GPS SPOT Tracker could not call for rescue directly, the only one possibility was to connect to the Embassy of the Russian Federation in Laos and provide the information on the accident. Unfortunately, there was lack of information on particular Oleg Kharitonov's location. After a while, Oleg made a call using his Iridium Extreme satellite phone to The WAY Moscow staff.

The WAY requested “Morsvyazspuznik” specialists to fix the exact Oleg's location by means of “Morsvyazspuznik” LBS portal.



Oleg Kharitonov in his Life Journal comments:

"I call to Moscow. I sum up the situation, not to spend such precious minutes on expensive satellite. Hurrah! It turned out that they in Moscow were already aware! The SPOT has made its job. Thanks God, "Morsvyazsputnik" has helped! "Iridium" is the best satellite operator with the largest coverage zone. Iridium will connect you and will transfer your coordinates even from the place where there are no other communication means. Now I will carry my satellite phone somewhere on me, it does not even matter that it is a little bit bulky, it can save life, in case one occurs in an extreme situation, somewhere far from civilization." <http://theway-travel.com/blog/padenie-ili-boysya-chernogo-porosenka/>

Coordinates of Oleg Kharitonov's exact location were transferred to the Embassy of the Russian Federation in Laos, after this, Laos rescue service and police immediately came out to the place of the accident. Oleg was placed to hospital and operated on. Now nothing endangers Oleg Kharitonov's life.

Thus, Iridium technology helped to rescue the person who was at the other end of the world, far from civilization. This case from life once again confirmed a high appreciation - conformity certificate of "Morsvyazsputnik" LBS/SBD portal to premium class - given by the global mobile satellite communication operator Iridium – Iridium Satellite LLC to "Morsvyazsputnik".