



## Napoleons Campaign in Russia 1812: An Analysis of the French Campaign from a Logistical and Medical Perspective

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