

[Dmitry Medvedev sends greetings to Prime Minister of Finland Juha Sipilä on a national holiday, the 100th anniversary of independence](#)

The message reads, in part:

“Russian-Finnish relations are based on the solid traditions of friendship, neighbourliness and mutual respect. We continue to promote trade, economic, investment, research and technical, cultural and humanitarian cooperation, and implement large-scale bilateral and international projects as we expand ties between our business communities and regions.

I am convinced that cooperation between our governments will contribute to the strengthening of Russia-Finland interaction and will create favourable conditions for launching new and promising initiatives in many spheres.”

[Russia’s approval of the draft Agreement between the Governments of Russia and the United Arab Emirates on Scientific, Technical and Production Cooperation of Companies in Civilian Industries](#)

The main goal of the Agreement is to establish the legal framework for joint activities of companies and enterprises representing civilian industries of both countries and to carry out joint work under scientific and technical cooperation projects in aviation, space, information and telecommunications technology, ship-building, renewable energy, HR training and specialist exchanges, as well as to create joint industrial production enterprises.

Reference

Introduced by the Ministry of Industry and Trade.

The signed directive has approved the draft Agreement between Russia and the United Arab Emirates on Scientific, Technical and Production Cooperation of

Companies in Civilian Industries (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement).

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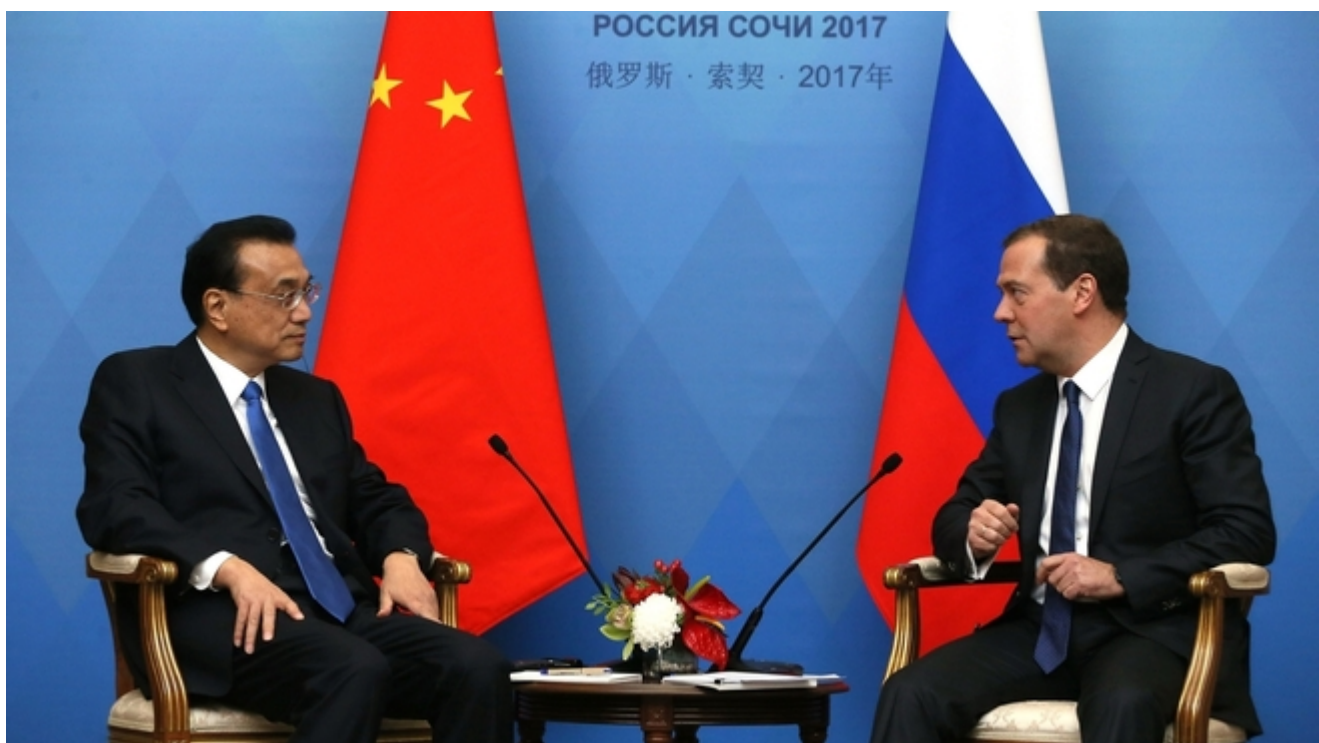
The Agreement defines the procedure for regulating legal relations related to the legal protection of intellectual property rights and confidential information, which arise during joint activities.

The signed Agreement will make it possible to promote bilateral ties and create favourable conditions to establish and develop scientific, technical and production cooperation between Russian and UAE companies.

[Dmitry Medvedev's conversation with Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China Li Keqiang](#)

The conversation took place on the sidelines of the meeting of the SCO Heads of Government Council.

Excerpts from the transcript:



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Conversation with Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China Li Keqiang

Dmitry Medvedev: We have met three times over the past month. This regularity shows that our relations are at an excellent level; these are relations of strategic partnership and full-scale cooperation. Lately, there have been top-level meetings with President Xi Jinping and President Vladimir Putin.

We maintain intergovernmental contacts. Together we held an extended meeting of the intergovernmental commission, during which we summarised the results of our work done this year. All of this allows us to advance new initiatives and implement new ambitious projects that correspond to the high level of our relations.

Li Keqiang (*via interpreter*): The SCO Heads of Government Council Meeting chaired by you was a total success. I have a feeling that this is the most successful meeting I have taken part in over the past years.

Sochi is a real gem on the Black Sea coast.

President Xi Jinping and President Vladimir Putin meet regularly. All top-level agreements are being implemented and contribute to promoting bilateral relations.

I was very happy to hold another regular meeting of heads of government with you. This mechanism has been operating for decades now. The results of our cooperation are growing, demonstrating its high effectiveness.

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Joint photo session of the heads of the SCO member states' delegations

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Foreign Minister of India Sushma Swaraj;

Prime Minister of Kazakhstan Bakhytzhan Sagintayev;

Prime Minister of the People's Republic of China Li Keqiang;

Prime Minister of Kyrgyzstan Sapar Isakov;

Prime Minister of Pakistan Shahid Khaqan Abbasi;

Prime Minister of Russia Dmitry Medvedev;

Prime Minister of Tajikistan Kokhir Rasulzoda;

Prime Minister of Uzbekistan Abdulla Aripov.

Dmitry Medvedev's speech at the SCO Heads of Government Council restricted attendance meeting:

The restricted attendance meeting of the SCO Heads of Government Council

Our meeting today is special. For the first time, our colleagues from India and Pakistan will participate in the SCO Heads of Government Council Meeting. Today, Russia's chairmanship in the Heads of Government Council ends. Our work's priority was to give a new impetus to the organisation's development and, of course, to promote trade, economic and humanitarian ties and to ensure security.

I hope that the discussion both in restricted attendance and expanded formats will enhance effective connections on our already widened platform for national development strategies and integration initiatives.

In any case, we must think about the future and move forward.

More to be posted soon...

[Dmitry Medvedev's meeting with Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Abdullah Abdullah](#)

The meeting took place on the sidelines of the Meeting of the SCO Heads of Government Council.

Excerpts from the transcript:

Meeting with Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Abdullah Abdullah

Dmitry Medvedev: We meet in similar formats on a regular basis. This is our fourth meeting.

I would like to reaffirm Russia's stance on Afghanistan establishing itself as an independent, self-sufficient, stable and economically strong state.

I suggest we compare our views on trade and economic cooperation, and regional security.

Abdullah Abdullah (via interpreter): Thank you for Russia's stance on stabilisation and on the development of economic cooperation between the two countries. Terrorism is our common threat, and both countries, and all states in general, need to work more closely to prevent it.

I would like to note that international organisations and international meetings, including the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, are an opportunity to touch base and once again discuss what can be done to improve our relations in various areas.

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