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Dmitry Medvedev and Government members attended the opening match of the 2017 FIFA Confederations Cup between the Russian and New Zealand national teams.



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[Presenting the President of Russia with the Council of Europe Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events to be submitted for ratification](#)

The Council of Europe Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events was signed by the Russian Federation in Saint-Denis (France) on 3 July 2016.

Reference

The draft federal law On Ratifying the Council of Europe Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events, hereinafter referred to as the Convention, was developed

by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Sport of the Russian Federation.

The Convention was signed by the Russian Federation in Saint-Denis (France) on 3 July 2016.

At present the Convention has been signed by 23 states and ratified by Monaco and France. It will enter in force when the member states of the Council of Europe agree to assume commitments on its implementation.

The Convention is aimed at improving international cooperation on ensuring the safety and security of spectators during competitions in different sports, in particular, football matches, and at reducing the risks of acts of violence or public disorder by citizens or groups of citizens.

The Convention provides for the establishment of the Committee on Safety and Security at Sports Events.

To carry out the Convention the required amendments were introduced into the legislation of the Russian Federation and relevant regulatory acts adopted in 2016. In 2015, the Ministry of the Interior established a national football information centre.

In accordance with the Federal Law On International Treaties of the Russian Federation, the Convention is subject to ratification as it concerns the basic human and civil rights and freedoms.

Dmitry Medvedev expresses condolences to German Chancellor Angela Merkel on the passing of former Federal Chancellor Helmut Kohl

The message reads, in part:

“An outstanding statesman, the patriarch of European and world politics, and the architect of German unification has passed away.

Helmut Kohl made a great personal contribution to ending the Cold War, drawing up the most important treaties that still serve as a reliable foundation for Russian-German relations, and to developing and strengthening neighbourliness, partnership and cooperation between our countries and peoples.”

Presentation of the Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism to the Russian President for submission for ratification

The Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism was signed on behalf of the Russian Federation on 26 January 2009 in Strasbourg. The ratification of the Convention by Russia will improve the efficiency of Russia's cooperation with other countries in combating the legalisation of criminal proceeds and financing of terrorism, create additional opportunities for developing international cooperation of competent authorities in identifying, seizing and confiscating proceeds from crime, and strengthen legal safeguards of this cooperation.

Reference

The draft federal law On Ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism was drawn up by the Foreign Ministry and the Federal Service for Financial Monitoring.

The Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism of 16 May 2005 (hereinafter referred to as the "Convention") was signed on behalf of the Russian Federation on 26 January 2009 in Strasbourg.

For the purposes of implementing the Convention, responsible authorities shall be appointed for filing requests and responding to requests in accordance with the Convention, for fulfilling such requests or delegating them to the competent authorities. A department shall be appointed to perform the functions of a financial intelligence agency as specified in the Convention.

According to the Federal Law On International Treaties of the Russian Federation, the Convention is subject to ratification as it contains regulations which differ from those stipulated by Russian law.

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Russia's cooperation with other countries in combating the legalisation of criminal proceeds and financing of terrorism, create additional opportunities for developing international cooperation of competent authorities in identifying, seizing and confiscating proceeds from crime, and strengthen legal safeguards of this cooperation.

Holding research and practice training seminars as part of the international project to protect the health of mothers, newborns and children under five

To carry out the measures aimed at Russia's participation in implementation of decisions of the United Nations summit on the post-2015 development agenda, Russia has earmarked budget appropriations of up to 461.8 million roubles in 2017-2019 to hold 72 research and practice training seminars on protecting the health of mothers, newborns and children under five years of age.

Reference

Submitted by the Ministry of Healthcare.

To ensure the participation of the Russian Federation in implementing the decisions of the United Nations summit on the post-2015 development agenda, a directive has been signed to earmark budget appropriations of up to 461.8 million roubles for the Ministry of Healthcare and the Federal Medical-Biological Agency (FMBA) in 2017-2019 to hold 72 research and practice training seminars on protecting the health of mothers, newborns and children under five years of age.

The federal budget provides for the allocation of the funds for these purposes.

The seminars will be conducted at the Kulakov Research Centre for Obstetrics, Gynaecology and Perinatology at the Ministry of Healthcare (45 seminars on neonatology, obstetrics, anaesthesiology and resuscitation), the National Research and Practice Centre for Children's Health at the Ministry of Healthcare (15 seminars on surgery, including emergency and neonatal surgery, and traumatology and resuscitation) and the FMBA's Children's Research and Clinical Centre for Infectious Diseases (12 seminars on resuscitation).

Physicians from 13 countries of the CIS, Asia, Africa and Latin America

(Azerbaijan, Armenia, Vietnam, Equatorial Guinea, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan) will be invited to take part in the seminars.

The adopted decision is aimed at enhancing the prestige of medical education in Russia and enhancing its positions in international humanitarian cooperation.

The Government of the Russian Federation reviewed and endorsed the document at its meeting on 8 June 2017.