

Dudley Arrives Wednesday

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BP's incoming CEO Robert Dudley and Deputy Prime Minister Igor Sechin will discuss TNK-BP at a meeting on Wednesday in Moscow, a government aide said.

The leaders of some of Russia's largest oil producers may also attend the meeting where Dudley, who headed TNK-BP for five years before fleeing the country in 2008, will be reintroduced in his new role, an aide to Sechin said by phone, declining to be identified because of state policy.

"Dudley knows Sechin very well, so it is a courtesy visit, but the recent developments around BP also raise chances for a TNK-BP initial public offering," Maria Radina, an oil and gas analyst at Nomura International, said by e-mail.

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