

Kadyrov Names Gullit as Coach

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Former World Soccer Player of the Year and Dutch football manager Ruud Gullit has been named coach of Russian Premier League side Terek Grozny, the Chechen club said.

"Chechen and Terek president Ramzan Kadyrov has appointed Ruud Gullit the team's head coach," Terek said on its web site Tuesday. "Ramzan Kadyrov also set a task for Gullit — to qualify the club for European competition at the end of the coming 2011-12 season."

Terek, which finished 12th in the 16-team Premier League last year, turned to Gullit after failing to agree upon a contract with former Spain and Barcelona midfielder Victor Munoz.

Gullit, 48, had been out of coaching since quitting Los Angeles Galaxy for personal reasons in 2008.

Terek deputy president Haidar Alkhanov told reporters that Gullit signed an 18-month contract with the club in Grozny but refused to disclose financial details. "He was completely satisfied with the terms that we offered him," he said.

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