

FSB Official Fired

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President Dmitry Medvedev has sacked Vyacheslav Ushakov, one of six deputy directors of the Federal Security Service, a Kremlin spokeswoman said Monday.

The decision was made on the advice of FSB chief Alexander Bortnikov, the Kremlin said.

Medvedev fired Ushakov for shortcomings at work and breaching professional ethics, the Kremlin spokeswoman said.

She gave no further details, but reports said later that Ushakov may be linked to a high-profile illegal gambling case in the Moscow region.

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