

Kremlin Vote on March 4

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The 2012 presidential election will be held on March 4, a Central Elections Commission official said Thursday.

Russian legislation sets the first or second Sunday of March as possible dates for a presidential vote in 2012 but says elections must be held on a non-working day.

"The elections will be held on March 4," commission member Yelena Dubrovina said. "We can't [hold elections] on the 11th, because it will be a working day." March 11 will be a working day to allow for a long weekend following a public holiday on Thursday, March 8, International Women's Day.

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