

# Soldiers Sue for Housing

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According to the Chief Military Prosecutor's Office, military personnel on the waiting list for apartments in Moscow have filed more than 1,200 lawsuits against the Defense Ministry, Interfax reported Friday.

"The documents submitted to the committee noted that at present more than 9,000 waiting soldiers have the right to permanent housing in Moscow," said a spokesman for the Federation Council committee on defense and security. The spokesman said the Defense Ministry has not yet carried out any court decisions on the matter.

The defense minister has decided to acquire apartments for military personnel in Moscow through competitive procedures, the military prosecutor's documents noted. "Unfortunately, auctions announced in recent years have been declared invalid due to a lack of applications for participation," the Federation Council spokesman said.

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