

Zyuganov Discharged From Heart Clinic

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Communist Party head Gennady Zyuganov holding out a copy of the Pravda newspaper Sergei Porter

Communist Party leader Gennady Zyuganov will lead the party's upcoming plenary session after being discharged from a Moscow cardiology clinic at the start of the week, the party's deputy chairman said Tuesday.

"Gennady Andreyevich has been discharged from the clinic and is in a Moscow region sanatorium. His health is good — he published a report for the Central Committee's plenary session," Communist Party deputy chairman Vladimir Kashin told RIA-Novosti.

Tabloids reported earlier this month that the Communist leader suffered a heart attack June 5 while visiting Kislovodsk, a resort town in the North Caucasus region of Stavropol. But his party has maintained that Zyuganov's stopover at the capital's Chazov Cardiology Clinic was planned in advance as a precautionary measure.

Kashin told the news agency that Zyuganov has been in regular contact with him and that he plans to open and coordinate the Central Committee's plenum on June 30.

Also on Tuesday, Zyuganov published an article in the Pravda and Sovetskaya Rossia

newspapers — both mandatory reading material for staunch Communist supporters — calling for more young members to join the party's ranks and for them to be given a grounding in Communist etiquette.

"Young Communists are normally not acquainted with the norms of party life, with the etiquette governing relations between party members," Zyuganov wrote.

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