

Russia Seeks Foreign Pupils

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The state will double the number of scholarships for foreign students seeking to study at Russian schools, Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said Monday.

"We are offering state-funded scholarships for 10,000 students a year. We will offer to double this figure ... up to 20,000 scholarships a year," he said, Interfax reported. He said special quotas should be made for students from other former Soviet republics. The program aims to promote the Russian language.

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