

Ombudsman Won't Appeal

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National human rights ombudsman Vladimir Lukin will not appeal a court ruling banning an anti-Muslim video clip that has provoked violent protests abroad, a statement on Lukin's website said Tuesday.

The statement denied media reports that said Lukin planned to appeal a decision Monday by Moscow's Tverskoi District Court banning the "Innocence of Muslims" video clip as extremist.

The Prosecutor General's Office had brought the suit requesting that the film, which senior Russian officials have said could provoke conflict in the country, be prohibited in Russia.

A Grozny court on Friday also declared the film extremist, but a work is only banned nationwide after a court grants a request by the Prosecutor General's Office to declare it extremist.

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