

Prosecutors Eye St. Pete Relocation

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The Prosecutor General's Office is getting ready to relocate some of its departments to St. Petersburg, a news report said Monday.

According to [Kommersant](#), prosecutors have already approached the Federal Property Management Agency requesting at least 2,000 square meters of suitable space in the northern capital's city center.

At current property prices, the proposed relocation could cost as much as 350 million rubles (\$11.3 million), but the departments could relocate to "voluntarily provided" state buildings, cutting costs, the report said.

The St. Pete move would mean transferring 30 to 40 staff members, an unidentified source in the Prosecutor General's Office told the newspaper.

Earlier this month, President Vladimir Putin approved the relocation of the entire staff of the Supreme Court and the Higher Arbitration Court to St. Petersburg. The total cost of those

moves has been estimated at 50 billion rubles.

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