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Record Number of Tourists Visit Moscow in 2012

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Five million foreign tourists visited Moscow this year, setting a new record for the capital, Mayor Sergei Sobyanin said.

Sobyanin announced the record-breaking figure Wednesday at a meeting with heads of diplomatic missions in Moscow, adding that city authorities would continue to develop the capital's tourist infrastructure, Interfax reported.

Among recent achievements, Sobyanin pointed out that the second stage of a new passenger terminal for international and domestic flights was opened at Vnukovo Airport this week.

The mayor assured foreign guests that next year tourists would have "more reasons to visit Moscow," and he invited guests to visit the world track and field championship, to be held in Moscow next summer.

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