

Governor Accused of Wanting U.S. Grandson

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Opposition activist Oleg Shein has published documents on his <u>blog</u> purporting that Volgograd Governor Sergei Bozhenov's daughter rented housing in Florida so his grandson could be born a U.S. citizen.

Shein said the documents, which he said came from a stranger and which have been confirmed by government sources, were grounds for an investigation into the governor.

The documents indicate that the governor's eldest daughter, Natalya Ilyina, and her husband have taken out a six-month lease on a Florida property and made arrangements with a local hospital for the delivery of their son on April 27.

U.S. real estate is a hot-button issue for the Kremlin, with Vladimir Pekhtin, a State Duma deputy with United Russia, resigning several weeks ago after it emerged that he owned undeclared property in Florida.

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