

What the Papers Say, July 22, 2013

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Kommersant

- 1. Yekaterina Zapodinskaya and Nikolai Sergeyev article headlined "Open-door court" says the Moscow city court will hear the case of explosions by the Federal Security Service office for the second time after the Supreme Court canceled the previous court ruling as the trial of the four defendants was held in the closed-door regime; pp 1, 4 (657 words).
- 2. Natalya Korchenkova et al. report headlined "NGOs queue up for money" says a large number of NGOs who used to receive financing from abroad have applied for presidential grants; pp 1 2 (780 words).
- 3. Nina Vlasiva and Ivan Buranov article headlined "Failure without handover right" says the problem of the delay of bank payments of traffic police fines has reached the level of the First Deputy Prime Minister Igor Shuvalov, who instructed the banks and the traffic police to introduce the system of payment identifications; pp 1, 8 (701 words).

- 4. Svetlana Mentyukova article headlined "Red caviar becomes golden one" says red caviar prices have grown by 70 percent in Kamchatka due to small salmon catch; pp 1, 10 (578 words).
- 5. Taisia Bekbulatova article headlined "Candidates look for approaches to Moscow" reports on the beginning of canvassing of Moscow mayoral hopefuls; p 2 (636 words).
- 6. Svetlana Kotova article headlined "Fishermen from Britain got under helicopter" says that two Britons have been killed in a helicopter accident in the Murmansk region; p 4 (300 words).
- 7. Sergei Goryashko article headlined "Citizens call for disarmament" says a recent public opinion poll has shown that Russian residents are against the use of non-lethal weapons. United Russia has decided to impose more regulations on the sale of non-lethal arms; p 5 (460 words).
- 8. Vyacheslav Kozlov and Ksenia Osipenko article headlined "Case being stuck to Alexei Navalny supporters" says the Investigative Committee and the Moscow police have opened a criminal case against activists who stuck leaflets in support of Alexei Navalny on the building of the State Duma. The law enforcement agencies accuses the activists of vandalism; p 5 (652 words).
- 9. Maxim Yusin article headlined "Syrian opposition wins victories over themselves" reports on clashes within the Syrian rebels in several parts of the country; p 6 (428 words).
- 10. Tatyana Yedovina article headlined "Negotiations room in world financial center" says that at the meeting in Moscow, G20 finance ministers have come to agreement on reforms to make financial markets more transparent; p 6 (508 words).
- 11. Kirill Belyaninov article headlined "Barack Obama acknowledges segregation" says U.S. President Barack Obama has spoken out against the court ruling which acquitted a white man who shot an African-American teenager. The president's statement has become a reaction to mass protests against the verdict; p 6 (530 words).
- 12. Yelena Cherhenko article headlined "Russia and USA try to reduce tensions in web" says a Russian-U.S. presidential group on information security is being formed. The two countries have to work together regardless of U.S. whistleblower Edward Snowden's appeal for asylum in Russia; p 6 (505 words).

Nezavisimaya Gazeta Vedomosti Izvestia Rossiiska ya Gazeta

- 1. Alexandra Samarina article headlined "Political and legal theories of Navalny case development" says the release from custody of opposition activist Alexei Navalny gives him additional score and may help the opposition appeal against the unconstitutional bill banning the participation in elections of people with previous convictions; pp 1, 3 (971 words).
- 2. Anastisia Bashkatova article headlined "GDP without signs of life" says the Economic Development Ministry registers stagnation due to capital outflow and a fall in investments; pp 1, 4 (1,186 words).
- 3. Ivan Rodin article headlined "Dmitry Medvedev inter-nationalities plan" outlines the Russian government plans to fight against extremism, xenophobia and nationalism; pp 1, 3 (948 words).
- 4. Sergei Kulikov article headlined "Shale gas separates London and Paris" says disagreements over the shale gas exploration between the EU member-states helps Gazprom play its leading role in the European gas market; pp 1, 4 (608 words).
- 5. Grigory Mikhaylov article headlined "Kyrgyzstan becomes Chinese one" says China has already invested over \$1 billion in the Kyrgyz economy and plans to implement more projects; pp 1, 6 (582 words).
- 6. Yury Paniyev article headlined "Year for secret talks on Middle East" comments on the U.S. efforts to revive the Middle East peace talks; pp 1, 6 (715 words).
- 7. Vladimir Mukhin article headlined "Defense Ministry concentrates forces on Sochi frontier" says that judging by the plan of military exercises Russia is focusing on the maintaining security during the Sochi Olympics; p 2 (664 words).
- 8. Alexei Gorbachev article headlined "Coordination council on edge of breakdown" says that the activities of the opposition coordination coordination council are overshadowed by the election campaign of Alexei Navalny; p 5 (600 words).
- 9. Alexandra Samarina article headlined "Week in politics: top-down command structure hesitations in Navalny case" says the prison sentences to opposition activist Alexei Navalny and his business partner Pyotr Ofitserov put the KirovLes case in the political focus in Russia; p 7 (550 words).

- 1. Maxim Glikin et al. report headlined "Authorities' candidate Alexei Navalny" says unexpected release of Alexei Navalny from custody made the Moscow mayoral election results less predictable, the candidates nominated by the authorities at the Yaroslavl and Yekaterinburg elections may also face problems; pp 1 2 (837 words).
- 2. Margarita Papchenkova and Yekaterina Kravchenko article headlined "Taxes to lose heaven" says G20 member states are to fight against tax evasion together; pp 1, 4 (969 words).
- 3. Editorial headlined "Capitalism grin" compares the situation in Russian regions with the U.S. city of Detroit which declared bankruptcy; pp 1, 6 (422 words).
- 4. Another editorial headlined "Kremlin in game" looks into the Russian role in the resolving of the Syrian conflict; p 6 (316 words).
- 5. Maria Zheleznova article headlined "Person of week: Alexei Navalny" comments on the arrest and further release from custody of Alexei Navalny; p 6 (335 words).
- 1. Viktor Loginov article headlined "Unlimited satellite internet to appear in Russia" says up to 70,000 people will be able to use satellite internet in the regions by autumn, as the Kosmicheskaya Svyaz (Rus. for space communications) state enterprise reached the relevant agreement with Eutelesat, European satellite operator; pp 1, 4 (517 words).
- 2. Yulia Tsoy and Sergei Zvezda article headlined "They suggest that Alexei Navalny be amnestied" says A Just Russia lawmakers want to add embezzlement charges to the list of economic crimes to be amnestied later this year in this way helping opposition activist Navalny not to serve his prison sentence; pp 1, 3 (841 words).
- 3. Anzhelika Kutnyand Alexander Yunashev article headlined "President to meet opposition at Seliger" outlines the agenda for President Putin's visit to youth camp Seliger this summer; pp 1-2 (580 words).
- 4. Svetlana Subbotina and Sergei Zvezda article headlined "LDPR mayoral candidate to double salaries and build biggest beach" outlines the economic platform of LDPR mayoral hopeful Mikhail Degtyaryov; p 2 (625 words).
- 5. Anton Mardasov interview with the head of the City without Drugs foundation, Yevgeny Roizman, who is running for mayor of Yekaterinburg at the upcoming election; p 2 (700

words).

- 6. Mikhail Vignansky interview with Nino Burdzhanadze, Democratic Movement leader willing to stand for president in Georgia, speaking on her political plans and relations with Russia; p 5 (1,012 words).
- 7. Maria Gorkovskaya article headlined "U.K. used to sell weapons to Syria and Iran" says Amnesty International NGO has called on the U.K. authorities to make their arms exports more transparent as British companies used to sell arms to some countries accused of human rights violations; p 7 (550 words).
- 1. Tatyana Smolyakova interview with Nature Resources Minister Sergei Donskoy calling for criminal punishment for poachers killing rare animals; pp 1, 4 (2,800 words).
- 2. VasilyZhiltsov article headlined "Street court leads nowhere" features comments of the presidential aide, Dmitry Peskov, as regards the guilty verdict passed on opposition leader Alexei Navalny; p 3 (1,400 words).
- 3. Yelena Kukol article headlined "Tariffs to reduce speed" reviews the fiscal policy of the Finance Ministry drafting the federal budget for 2014 2016; pp 1 2 (900 words).
- 4. Yelena Kukol and Marina Gritsyuk article headlined "Fight with shadow" says G20 countries declare war on companies evading taxes. The new approach in the fiscal policy was discussed at the meeting of G20 finance ministers in Moscow; pp 1, 3 (900 words).
- 5. Olga Dmitryeva article headlined "Trainees came to wrong address?" questions the details of the case of two Ukrainian men arrested in Great Britain on suspicion of murder and terrorism; p 8 (500 words).

Moskovsky Komsomolets

- 1. Olga Bozhyeva article headlined "Large-scale treason" says the recent military exercise in the Eastern Military District has shown that former Defense Minister Anatoly Serdyukov is to blame for undermining the country's combat readiness; pp 1, 4 (600 words).
- 2. Dmitry Katorzhnov article headlined "I will stand for mayor. Roizman" says founder of an anti-drug fund Yevgeny Roizman taking part in the Yekaterinburg mayoral election speaks

on his political plans; pp 1 - 2 (400 words).

Novaya GazetaRBC DailyNoviye IzvestiaKomsomolskaya Pravda

- 1. Andrei Kolesnikov commentary headlined "Serious political mistake of comrade Blinov" attributes the decision to release Alexei Navalny from custody to the fact that the authorities need him to take part in the Moscow mayoral election; p 9 (562 words).
- 2. Yevgeny Feldman et al. report headlined "There is possibility of prosecutor being clone" reports on the release of opposition activist and Moscow mayoral hopeful Navalny from custody in Kirov; pp 8-9 (1,853 words).
- 3. Vera Chelishcheva interview with Marina Litvinenko, the wife of former KGB officer Alexander Litvinenko who died from polonium poisoning. Marina speaks on the decision of the U.K. authorities to classify the documents related to her husband's death; pp 2-3 (3,357 words).
- 1. Yevgeny Krasnikov article headlined "Sweeping purge of VKontakte" says the administration of the popular social networking website has decided to let the film owners to delete pirate videos from the website; pp 1, 5 (800 words).
- 2. Ivan Petrov article headlined "Spy's friends" says former CIA contractor Edward Snowden has won support not only among Russian human rights activists but also among the members of the Russian trade union of veteran law enforcement officers; p 2 (500 words).
- 3. Yulia Yakovleva article headlined "Millions not to prove useful" says the head of the City Without Drugs foundation and Civil Platform party member, Yevgeny Roizman, who submitted documents to be registered as a candidate for the post of mayor of Yekaterinburg on Friday July 19, has said he would not ask the party's leader, Mikhail Prokhorov, for financial support during his campaign; p 2 (600 words).
- 4. Unattributed article headlined "Mr. Navalny's passage" features experts' comments on the guilty verdict against prominent Russian opposition activist and blogger Alexei Navalny; p 6 (850 words).
- 1. Yulia Savina article headlined "System problem" says verdicts in recent headline-making

cases have revealed a strong need for changes in the judicial system; pp 1-2 (1,000 words).

- 2. Konstantin Nikolayev and Valentin Boynik article headlined "War near beach" comments on the latest developments in Egypt and says military operations are currently taking place not faraway from the Egyptian resort popular among Russian tourists; pp 1, 3 (500 words).
- 3. Vera Moslakova article headlined "Three years for sticker?" says after an unauthorized rally in central Moscow stage in support of opposition leader Alexei Navalny, two criminal cases have been launched against protesters; p 2 (300 words).
- 1. Alexander Grishin article headlined "From those on scandalous list only Navalny to serve time in jail?" features a list of high-profile corruption cases involving officials and lawmakers and their outcome; p 6 (1,300 words).
- 2. Yevgeny Belyakov article headlined "Business mediators outside law?" features experts' comments on the guilty verdict against Alexei Navalny; p 7 (1,100 words).

Moskovskiye Novosti

1. Grigory Naberezhnov article headlined "Almost like Lenin" comments on Alexei Navalny's release from custody and his return to Moscow from Kirov; p 2 (600 words).

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