

What the Papers Say, Oct. 15, 2013

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Kommersant

1. Grigory Tumanov et al. report headlined "Criminal Biryulevo" says some of the nationalists involved in rioting in Moscow are likely to be charged with mass disturbances and attacking the police. The Investigative Committee has already started a probe into the incident; pp 1 (1,077 words).
2. Khalil Aminov et al. report headlined "Out with vegetables" says that the Russian consumer rights watchdog, Rospotrebnadzor, plans to close the vegetable warehouse in Biryulevo ; pp 1, 3 (600 words).
3. Yelizaveta Kuznetsova article headlined "Aviators apply breaks in air" says the growth of Russian air flight market has slowed down, experts expect the trend to continue; pp 1, 12 (463 words).
4. Nikolay Sergeev article headlined "Supervision with bias" says one of the best-known investigators of the Russian Investigative Committee carrying out probes in high-profile crimes, Denis Nikandrov, is being checked by the General Prosecutor's Office himself. He is suspected of abuse of office; p 1 (715 words).

5. Khalil Aminov et al. report headlined "Exit vegetables" says Rospotrebnadzor consumer rights watchdog is going to close a vegetable wholesale facility in the Moscow district where mass disturbances occurred. The facility supplied up to 50 percent of vegetable to independent food stores in Moscow; p 1 (889 words).
6. Sofya Samokhina et al. report headlined "Scientific agency being put into framework" says Russian scientists are concerned about the statute on the agency of scientific organizations which will manage the property of the Russian Academy of Sciences. The final draft of the statute is to be ready today; p 2 (547 words).
7. Sergei Goryashko and Ivan Safronov article headlined "Sergei Shoigu takes into account the experience of his predecessor" says the Defense Ministry has developed a concept for its property management as demanded by Minister Sergei Shoigu; p 2 (458 words).
8. Natalya Korchenkova et al. report headlined "Alexei Pimanov reaches 'Zvezda' [Rus. for star]" says television host and Federation Council senator Alexei Pimanov is expected to be appointed the head of the Krasnaya Zvezda media holding. He has already stepped down from the senator's post; p 2 (608 words).
9. Vladislav Litovchenko and Yekaterina Belkina article headlined "Money forgers light up at ATMs" says seven members of an Uzbek criminal group have been detained in St. Petersburg, they are suspected of money forging and loading forged banknotes into ATMs; p 4 (739 words).
10. Yelena Chernenko article headlined "Iran tested for pliability" says 5+1 talks on the Iranian nuclear problem start in Geneva today. As the new Iranian president made it clear that he was ready for concessions, the expectations from these talks are high; p 7 (630 words).
11. Sergei Strokan article headlined "Global level of terrorist threat" comments on the threat of terrorism and notes that al-Qaida now targets not only the U.S. but all non-Muslim countries; p 8 (943 words).
12. Sergei Strokan interview with Yevgeny Satanovsky, president of the Middle East Institute, speaking on the spread of jihad and radical Islamic ideas in the West; p 8 (546 words).
13. Sergei Strokan interview with Andrei Kortunov, director-general of the international affairs committee, speaking on the global terrorist threat for Russia; p 8 (517 words).
14. Article by Dmitry Polikarpov, chief correspondent of El Periodico, the Spanish newspaper based in Moscow, in opinion column headlined "Price of issue" criticises the Western approach to Islamic radicals as some Western countries expected to tame radicals through support; p 8 (450 words).

Nezavisimaya Gazeta

1. Alexandra Samarina and Vladislav Maltsev article headlined "From Kondopoga to Biryulevo via Manezhnaya [square]" says the Russian authorities are concerned with the recent public disturbances in Moscow; however, the problem of ethnic crime remains unsolved in Russia, so

disturbances are becoming more common in different parts of the country; pp 1, 3 (1,384 words).

2. Igor Naumov article headlined "Tatyana Golikova stands up to protect Vladimir Putin's May instructions" comments on the budget hearings in the State Duma and notes that the budget will be passed despite some criticism by the opposition and even the Audit Chamber; pp 1, 4 (789 words).

3. Ivan Rodin article headlined "Expression of will at low rate" says A Just Russia and the Communist Party agree with the authorities that low turnout at referendums and elections show political stability in the country. They want to amend the law making referendums valid only if 25 percent of the electorate took part in them; pp 1-2 (781 words).

4. Tatyana Ivzhenko article headlined "Moscow's soft rhetoric does not bode well for Kiev" looks ahead at the meeting of the Russian and Ukrainian prime ministers where they are expected to get ready for signing an association agreement between the two countries; pp 1, 6 (1,041 words).

5. Yevgenia Novikova article headlined "Tehran and 5+1 to measure degree of sincerity" says Tehran pins hopes on the talks with the 5+1 group which resume in Geneva today. Iran wants tough sanctions to be eased; pp 1-2 (732 words).

6. Tatyana Dvoynova article headlined "Deputy intends to turn Amur" reports on a proposal by a United Russia deputy in the Vladivostok City Duma to turn the bed of the River Amur to improve the climate in the Maritime region; pp 1-2 (760 words).

7. Editorial headlined "Crafty Biryulevo" says the Russian authorities may try to ease tensions in Moscow by closing some ethnic markets or carrying out additional police raids; however, the problem of ethnic tensions remain unsolved; p 2 (511 words).

8. Sergei Kulikov and Mikhail Sergeyev article headlined "Biryulevo to tell on markets" says the recent mass disturbances against illegal migrants in the West Biryulevo district of Moscow may have serious economic consequences; p 4 (550 words).

9. Vladimir Skosyrev article headlined "China woos Vietnam to vex U.S." comments on an agreement reached between Vietnam and China on the study of the South China Sea, which both countries claimed before. Beijing must have realized that the U.S. will benefit from its problems with neighbors; p 7 (502 words).

Vedomosti

1. Editorial headlined "Revolt of outskirts" looks into reasons for mass disturbances in Moscow and criticises the labour migration policy of the Russian authorities; pp 1, 6 (727 words).

2. Sergei Titov et al. report headlined "Taxes in strong hand" says President Putin's proposal that investigators be allowed to open tax cases on their own has scared business; pp 1, 4 (600 words).

3. Yekaterina Kravchenko interview with Cyprus Agriculture Minister Nicos Kouyialis speaking on the interest of the Cyprus farmers in the Russian market; p 8 (2,248 words).

4. Alexei Nikolsky and Svetlana Bocharova article headlined "Biryulevo politics" says it is regional authorities who should be brought to account in the case of mass disturbances against migrants in West Biryulevo of Moscow; p 2 (500 words).

Izvestia

1. Natalya Bashlykova and Sergei Podosenov article headlined "Biryulevo makes laws stricter" says following the rioting in Moscow, the State Duma will pass a law placing increased responsibility for ethnic relations on the local authorities; pp 1, 3 (899 words).

2. Petr Kozlov article headlined "Helicopter pad by Kremlin covered with cracks" says the helicopter pad by the Russian government building was repaired three times in six months due to cracks appearing on top of its surface; p 1 (518 words).

3. Yelena Malay article headlined "They want to give 'national' status to large private companies" says a bill drafted by a State Duma deputy allows large private companies to take the status of national ones voluntarily; pp 1-2 (633 words).

4. Alena Sivkova article headlined "State Duma not ready to accept human rights council's amnesty draft" says the State Duma disapproves of the large-scale amnesty draft prepared by the presidential human rights council; p 2 (632 words).

5. German Petelin interview with Magomed Tolboyev, honorary president of Biryulevo market, where the police are carrying out raids following riots in Moscow. He speaks on abuse of power by police officers; p 3 (486 words).

6. Pavel Kochegarov and Andrei Gridasov article headlined "Law enforcers and public activists drawing up lists of hot spots" says that, as a result of recent mass disturbances in West Biryulevo against illegal migrants, law-enforcement bodies and civil organizations are drawing up lists of Moscow hot spots — districts with a high concentration of migrants; p 3 (400 words).

7. Konstantin Volkov article headlined "UN develops plan for chemical weapons destruction in Syria" outlines UN measures to take Syrian chemical weapons under international control; p 7 (553 words).

Rossiiskaya Gazeta

1. Mikhail Falaleyev et al. report headlined "Gun and cabbage" reports on police raids in Moscow following riots in the district of West Biryulevo and notes that the police found a vehicle with several millions rubles, three non-lethal guns, two knives and a baseball bat; pp 1, 7 (1,702 words).

2. Yevgeny Shestakov article headlined "Syrian opposition deceits Washington" says Syrian rebels belonging to al-Qaida are not willing to give UN inspectors access to chemical weapons facilities which are located on the territory controlled by them; p 8 (616 words).
3. Olga Dmitryeva article headlined "'Business pillar' bends" comments on the UK taxation system and notes that tax burden is becoming too heavy for many people; p 8 (640 words).

Moskovsky Komsomolets

1. Alexander Minkin article headlined "Stab with knife brings back to reality" calls on President Putin to pay attention to security situation and crime in Moscow following mass disturbances there; pp 1-2 (399 words).
2. Irina Bobrova and Igor Karmazin article headlined "Jackstraw over. It is all serious now" gives a detailed report on the unrest in Moscow's West Biryulevo district started by Russian nationalists; pp 1, 6 (1,730 words).
3. Mikhail Rostovsky article headlined "Where is Putin and where is Biryulevo?" says the latest riots in Moscow have proven the weakness of the authorities; most people do not feel protected; pp 1-2 (721 words).
4. Natalya Rozhkova interview with opposition activist Alexei Navalny speaking on his trials and plans for political future; pp 1, 8 (2,941 words).

RBK Daily

1. Ivan Petrov report "Armed means guilty" says that the conclusions drawn by security agencies and officials after the events in Biryulevo are the same as were made at the end of 2010 following disturbances on Manezhnaya Square. The new thing is "unofficial" instructions to police to arrest all people from the North Caucasus who carry knives or pistols; pp 1-2 (800 words).
2. Alexander Litoy report "Extremism without extremists" says that right after clashes in Biryulevo, Interior Minister Vladimir Kolokoltsev demanded that the instigators of the unrest be punished; p 2 (600 words).
3. Alexander Litoy interview with Sergei Davidis, a participant in Alexei Navalny's mayoral election campaign and lawyer of the NGO Memorial, who speaks about the opposition's plans and political prospects; p 2 (1,000 words).
4. Article "Biryulevo order" by Mikhail Pashkin, head of the Moscow police trade union, who looks at the causes of mass disturbances in Moscow's district Biryulevo; p 6 (700 words).
5. Ivan Petrov report "They will look into Baumgertner's case in Russia" says that the Investigative Committee has opened a criminal case in relation to Uralkali head Vladislav Baumgertner; p 8 (450 words).

Noviye Izvestia

1. Veronika Vorontsova article headlined "Labour way" says unemployment, corruption and a lack of social and economic development make young people leave the North Caucasus republics and look for jobs in other parts of Russia; pp 1, 5 (1,013 words).
2. Margarita Alekhina interview with Nikolay Svanidze, member of the Russian Public Chamber, who speaks about the unrest in Moscow and compares it with anti-Putin protests staged in 2012; pp 1, 5 (479 words).
3. Anna Alexeyeva interview with Mikhail Pashkin, head of the police independent trade union, who comments on mass disturbances in Moscow's south district Biryulevo and says that if there were no corruption in law-enforcement agencies, there would not be such incidents like in Biryulevo; pp 1, 5 (450 words).
4. Mikhail Nikiforenko report "Ban.net" says that a group of experts is working on recommendations to amend the anti-piracy law, which is also referred to as the "law against the internet"; p 2 (700 words).
5. Vera Moslakova report "Behind locomotive's smoke" says that following the mass unrest in Biryulevo, the State Duma is in a hurry to toughen the law in relation to migrants; p 2 (550 words).
6. Sergei Manukov report "Sacrifice one's principles a bit" says that at the negotiations on the Iranian nuclear program in Geneva today, Tehran is expected to voice its new plan and try and convince the world community of the peaceful nature of its nuclear program; p 2 (550 words).
7. Arina Raksina report "Secret 'stocking'" says that the government is concealing budget items from expert analysis and public control; p 3 (800 words).
8. Anna Alexeieva report "Belated inspection" says that the Rospotrebnadzor closed a vegetable warehouse, against which people living in Moscow's south district Biryulevo have been fighting for a long time because of illegal migrants, only on Oct. 14, following mass unrest; p 5 (850 words).

Komsomolskaya Pravda

1. Dmitry Smirnov report "Sobyanin reports to Putin about situation in Biryulevo" says that Mayor Sergei Sobyanin has reported to President Vladimir Putin about the events that occurred in Moscow's district Biryulevo on Oct. 13 . Following the meeting, the number of people engaged in the investigation of the unrest was increased; p 2 (300 words).
2. Yelena Arakelyan report "U.S. is almost bankrupt and we keep our stabilization fund there" looks at possible consequences of the U.S. budget crisis for Russia; p 3 (700 words).
3. Irina Pankova report "Onishchenko discovers saboteurs-biologists" says that Gennady Onishchenko, head of Rospotrebnadzor and chief sanitary officer, is concerned about

the activities of the Richard Lugar Central Public Health Reference Laboratory in Georgia; p 3 (400 words).

4. Semen Yelenin report "After disturbances, police detain 1,245 migrant workers" says that as a result of an operation carried out by police special-purpose units at the vegetable warehouse in Biryulevo, over 1,000 labour migrants have been detained; p 5 (900 words).

5. Alexander Rogoza report "Muscovites about migrants" features comments of residents of Moscow's southern district Biryulevo about terrible conditions they have to live in because of migrants; p 5 (400 words).

6. Maxim Brusnev report "I will choke him myself" looks at the situation at the vegetable warehouse in Biryulevo and features comments of its head Magomed Tolboyev; p 6 (700 words).

7. Alexandra Krylova report "Federal Migration Service facility to open at vegetable warehouse" says that the Moscow police and migration officials have given a news conference to comment on the situation in Biryulevo; p 6 (450 words).

8. Alexander Boyko report "OMON commander Stanislav Tumakov: 'Crowd was incited from inside'" looks at the disturbances in Biryulevo and features comments of a commander of a police special-purpose unit; p 7 (300 words).

9. Brief unattributed report says that the Investigative Committee has accused local officials of mass disturbances in Biryulevo; p 7 (200 words).

10. Alexander Grishin interview with Vitaly Tretyakov, head of Higher School of Television of Moscow University, who comments on the events in Biryulevo; p 9 (550 words).

Trud

1. Sergei Frolov article headlined "What was it: Pogrom or protest?" says that the recent events in southern Moscow have shown that the country is turning into one big Biryulevo; pp 1-2 (1,100 words).

2. Alexander Protsenko report "Everything remains in officials' way!" says that instead of a real reduction in the number of officials, the government wants to rename federal agencies regional ones; p 3 (900 words).

Moskovskiye Novosti

1. Anna Baydakova report "Violence aftertaste" looks at the events in Biryulevo; p 2 (700 words).

2. Anastasia Petrova report "Events in Biryulevo. Questions and answers" comments on mass disturbances in Biryulevo; p 3 (900 words).

3. Alexandra Beluza report "Leave in English way" comments on the migration situation in the UK; pp B2-B3 (1,700 words).

Tvoi Den

1. Olga Matveyeva report "Arsenal in cabbage" looks at the events in Biryulevo and says that during searches at the vegetable warehouse in this southern Moscow district, a vehicle with knives, pistols and large sums of money was discovered; pp 1, 4-5 (600 words).

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