

U.S. Consulate in St. Petersburg Suspends Visa Issues Until Friday

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U.S. Consul General's Residence in St. Petersburg.

The U.S. Consulate in St. Petersburg will not be able to issue visas until Friday due to a utility problem.

A representative from the diplomatic mission told Interfax that the problem causing the suspension was "something with a pipe."

Those who were scheduled to pick up their visas this week may reschedule their visit to the consulate by making a request on its website.

The consulate was also the subject of news this weekend when it was the site of a picket by conservative St. Petersburg Duma Deputy Vitaly Milonov, who along with around 12 other demonstrators protested what they see as U.S. interference in Ukraine. Fontanka.ru reported that Milonov and his assistant were seen shortly before the protest at the American fast food joint Carl's Junior.

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