

What the Papers Say on Sochi, Feb. 17, 2014

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Nezavisimaya Gazeta

1. Igor Naumov article headlined "Volunteers bring optimism to athletes and fans" reports on the performance of volunteers at the Winter Olympics in Sochi; p 2 (510 words).

Vedomosti

1. Alexander Gubsky article headlined "Man of week: Yevgeni Plushchenko" praises Russian figure skater Yevgeni Plushchenko's services; p 7 (350 words).

Izvestia

1. Mikhail Shakhnazarov article headlined "Theatre of hockey absurdity in Bolshoy [ice arena]" comments on the refereeing "scandal" at the Russia-U.S. ice hockey match at the Winter Olympics in Sochi; pp 1, 9 (835 words).

Rossiiskaya Gazeta

1. Nikolai Dolgoplov interview "I am not ashamed of this national team" with Sports Minister Vitaly Mutko who sums up the results of the first week at the Games in Sochi; p 3 (500 words).

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