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Olympic Skier Maria Komissarova Picks Spain Over Russia to Treat Paralysis

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Olympic skier Maria Komissarova broke her back while training in Sochi.

The Russian freestyle skier Maria Komissarova, who suffered a broken back during the Sochi Winter Olympics, is set to continue her treatment in Spain.

Komissarova, who was left paralyzed from the waist down after a fall during training on Feb. 15, had already spent two months in Germany undergoing a series of operations.

"Following Maria's return from Germany, we offered the chance to undertake a rehabilitation course at a specialist center not far from Moscow and also at a rehabilitation center in Moscow," the head doctor of the Russian Freestyle Federation, Mirzali Samedov, said.

"The Russian medics who were looking after Komissarova believed this would be the best course to take. The German specialists who initially looked after her also believed this to be the best course of action," he said.

"However, Maria had different plans, and she, along with her boyfriend, wanted to continue

her treatment in Spain. They are now at a clinic in Marbella."

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