

# Putin Looks to Strengthen Bilateral Ties During Upcoming Visit to Egypt

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Russia's President Vladimir Putin (R) shakes hands with Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi in Moscow.

Russian President Vladimir Putin will travel to Egypt on Feb. 9-10 to discuss bilateral ties as well as regional issues in the Middle East, the Kremlin said Wednesday.

Egypt, the world's top wheat importer and the second-largest buyer of Russian wheat, has been hit by Russia's decision to curb grain exports as Moscow seeks to cool domestic prices amid an economic crisis.

Russia, the world's second-largest arms exporter, is also seeking to boost military ties with Egypt.

The Kremlin said in a statement that Putin and Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi would discuss the situation in Iraq, Syria and Libya as well as the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. p { margin-bottom: 0.1in; line-height: 120%; Russian President Vladimir Putin will travel

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