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Moscow Public Transport Firm Wants Lie Detector Tests for Employees

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The state firm that coordinates public transport in Moscow has announced it will spend about $34,000 on lie detector tests for employees, the Interfax news agency reported Monday.

The firm, Organizator Perevozok, posted a terse announcement of the tender on the state purchases website Zakupki.gov.ru last week, saying that it needed someone to conduct "psycho-physiological examinations using a computerized polygraph."

Several calls to the company's press service to ascertain the purpose of the tests, which Interfax reported some 500 employees would undergo, went unanswered Monday.

Organizator Perevozok is responsible for ensuring that transportation laws are obeyed by passengers and transport companies, as well as coordinating the schedules of metro trains, buses, minibuses and trams.

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