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Victory Day Tanks in Red Square Cause $80,000 Repair Bill for Moscow

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Moscow will spend up to 4 million rubles ($79,000) replacing the paving of a pedestrian square in front of the Kremlin that was chewed up by tank treads during a military parade marking 70 years since the end of World War II, a city website said Tuesday.

Manezh Square, a pedestrian thoroughfare that runs along the Kremlin's walls before turning into Red Square, saw 194 military vehicles, including the heavy Armata T-14 battle tank, roll over it multiple times during the Victory Day parade and its rehearsals.

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Moscow's municipal Budgetary Office published a tender for the repair job on Tuesday. The

city will take applications from small businesses until May 29, with a final winner announced on June 1, according to the document. The maximum price for the tender was 3.96 million rubles.

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