

Suspension of FIFA's Valcke Won't Impact Russia's World Cup Plans - Minister

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FIFA Secretary General Jerome Valcke speaks as he attends a news conference during his visit to the southern city of Samara, one of the 2018 World Cup host cities, Russia, in this June 10, 2015 file photo.

The suspension of Jerome Valcke, FIFA's secretary general, will not impact Russia's plans to host the 2018 World Cup, Vitaly Mutko, Russia's sports minister, said on Friday, the TASS agency reported.

"All major decisions about the World Cup have been taken: the concept behind it and the budget have been approved, the schedule of the tournament is determined," TASS cited Mutko as saying.

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