

Security Council Seeks to Protect Russian History From 'Falsification'

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In a panel meeting on the topic of information security, the scientific council of Russia's Security Council discussed the need to fight the "falsification of history" in regards to the 1917 October Revolution. According to the participants of the discussion, the revolution was a topic which could be subject to "deliberate distortion" in connection with its upcoming 100-year anniversary next year.

But the October Revolution which ended the Russian Empire and led to the creation of the Soviet Union is only one of six historical topics the council members believe need "protection." According to the Kommersant newspaper, the other five are the nationalities policy of the Russian Empire, the nationalities policy of the Soviet Union, the Molotov-Ribbentrop Non-Aggression Pact, the Soviet victory over fascism in World War II, and the Soviet Union's policies toward satellite states such as East Germany, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia.

The council adopted a recommendation to create, develop and implement mechanisms to

identify "information campaigns aimed at distorting history."

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