

Gazprom Neft Warns Customers Against London-Based 'Double'

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Russian state energy giant Gazprom Neft is warning customers against unwittingly doing business with a London-based “double” that bears an almost identical name.

The “Public Joint Stock Company Gazprom Neft Ltd” was officially registered in Britain in July 2016, but it's totally unconnected to the Kremlin-backed multinational “Gazprom Neft PJSC.”

The Russian oil company also says its executive board members have been listed as directors for the British company without their consent.

The addresses listed on the U.K. company’s official registration correspond to a mail-forwarding center and a building offering office space to rent.

Gazprom Neft released a statement on its official website on Tuesday, warning customers against doing business with its London-based doppelgänger.

“Gazprom Neft PJSC wishes to advise that Public Joint-Stock Company Gazprom Neft, a private limited liability company registered in England and Wales, has no connection whatsoever with Gazprom Neft PJSC or with the Gazprom Neft Group of Companies,” the statement said, adding that it has notified police in London and national regulators of the situation.

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