

Kremlin Spokesman Calls to 'Verify' New York Times Doping Interview

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The Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov Andrei Yepikhin / TASS

The⊠Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov called for verification of Russian⊠Anti-Doping Agency's acting head Anna Antseliovich's interview to The⊠New York Times, where she admitted an "institutional conspiracy" on⊠doping existed in Russia, the Life online tabloid reported Wednesday.⊠

"Reliability of her words must be verified. Whether it is true, whether the words attributed to Antseliovich were really said, what she meant – [all these things need to be verified] before we make any conclusions," Life quoted Peskov as saying.

The⊠spokesman added that Moscow has denied any state involvement in the⊠alleged doping scheme. "Moreover, we are waiting for the results of⊠the investigation. You know it is underway," the said.

Earlier this week The New York Times ran a story with Antseliovich's statement. She said

she was "shocked" by the revelations made in the course of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) investigation, which uncovered years of doping schemes. Antseliovich called it an "institutional conspiracy," but emphasized that the government's top officials were not involved in it.

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