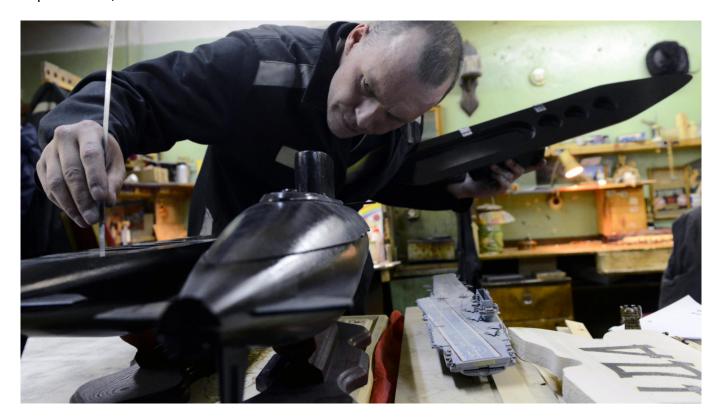


Russia Registers 'Made in Prison' Trademark

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A "Made in Prison" label will soon appear on some products in Russia, according to an intellectual property application <u>obtained</u> by the Moskva news agency on Friday.

Russia has the highest incarceration rate in Europe, <u>according</u> to The World Prison Brief.

Russian observers say that limited oversight of the penitentiary system encourages <u>corruption</u> and abuse of prisoners' labor, a primary asset of most correctional facilities in Russia.

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The trademark application submitted by the Federal Prison Service (FSIN) to Rospatent describes the "Made in Prison" label as a phrase written in black Cyrillic letters, Moskva reported.

"The label is simple, distinctive and easy to recall."

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