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Former Russian Sports Minister Mutko Tapped for Construction Post

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Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev put forward Vitaly Mutko as a deputy prime minister overseeing construction as he presented his nominations to form a new government at a televised meeting in parliament on Monday.

Medvedev, prime minister since 2012, resigned on Monday along with the government in line with standard procedure following Vladimir Putin's inauguration for a fourth term as president.

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Mutko was one of a number of deputy prime ministers in the outgoing government and was responsible for overseeing sport at a time when Russian sports have been dogged by scandal.

Medvedev tapped Olga Golodets as the deputy prime minister overseeing sports, the Interfax news agency reported.

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