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Russia Will Exit INF Nuclear Pact in 6 Months

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Russia will exit the Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces (INF) treaty in six months as part of a symmetrical response to the United States' pullout, Interfax cited Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov as saying on Wednesday.

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President Vladimir Putin said at the weekend that Russia had suspended the Cold War-era pact after Washington announced it would withdraw in six months unless Moscow ends what it says are violations of the 1987 pact.

Moscow denies it is violating the pact.

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