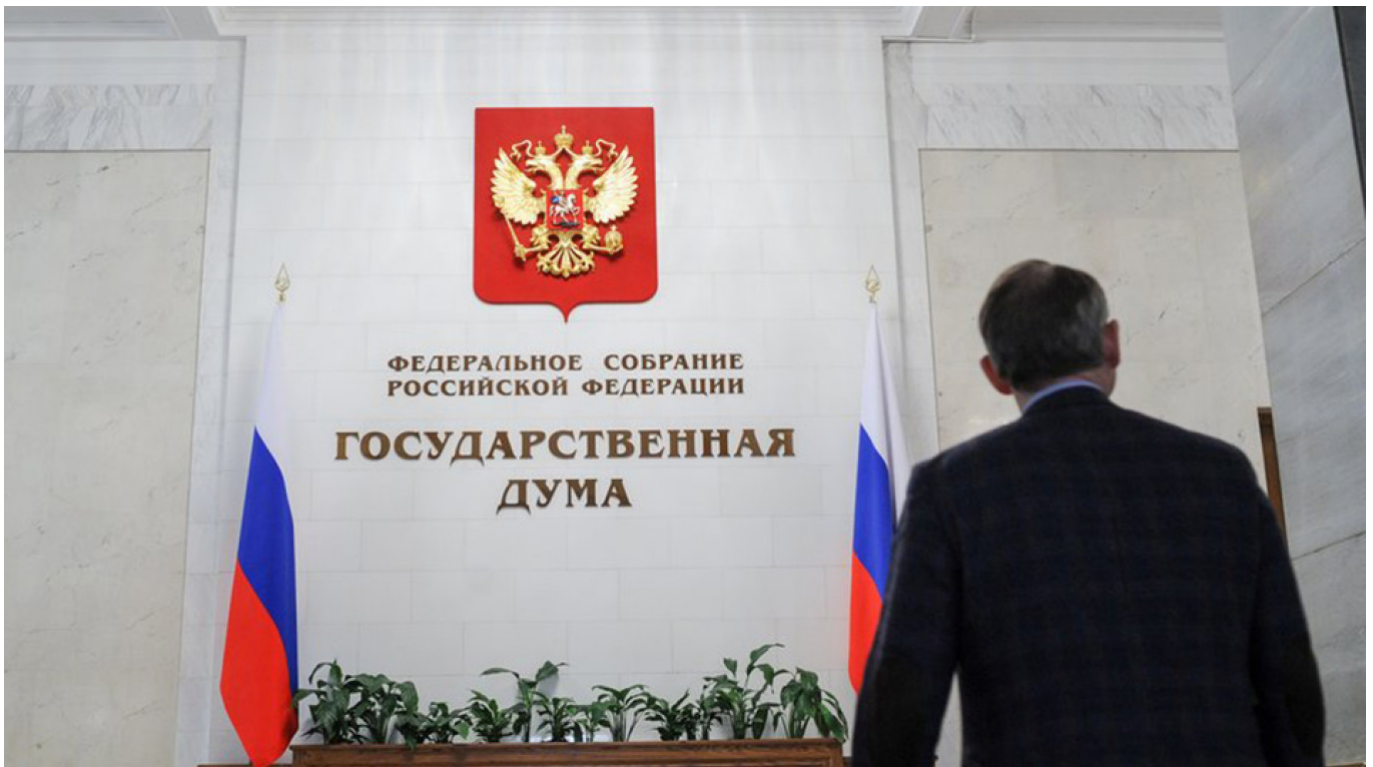


More Than 1,300 Russian Officials Fired for Corruption in 2018 – Prosecutors

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More than 1,300 Russian state officials suspected of violating corruption rules were fired for loss of trust last year, federal prosecutors said Tuesday.

Russia [ranks](#) among the world's most corrupt countries. Observers have [criticized](#) anti-graft campaigns under President Vladimir Putin's rule as ineffective.

The Prosecutor General's Office [said](#) its intervention has led to the dismissal of 1,303 officials last year, up from 1,251 fired officials in 2017.

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The civil servants were dismissed for hiding information about their income, spending and assets, for failing to resolve conflicts of interest and for doing business in violation of anti-

corruption bans, the prosecutors said.

A registry of officials who had been fired [lists](#) state bureaucrats, law enforcement officials and regional lawmakers, including 2018 Communist Party presidential candidate Pavel Grudinin, who lost his place as a deputy in a local council in the Moscow region.

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