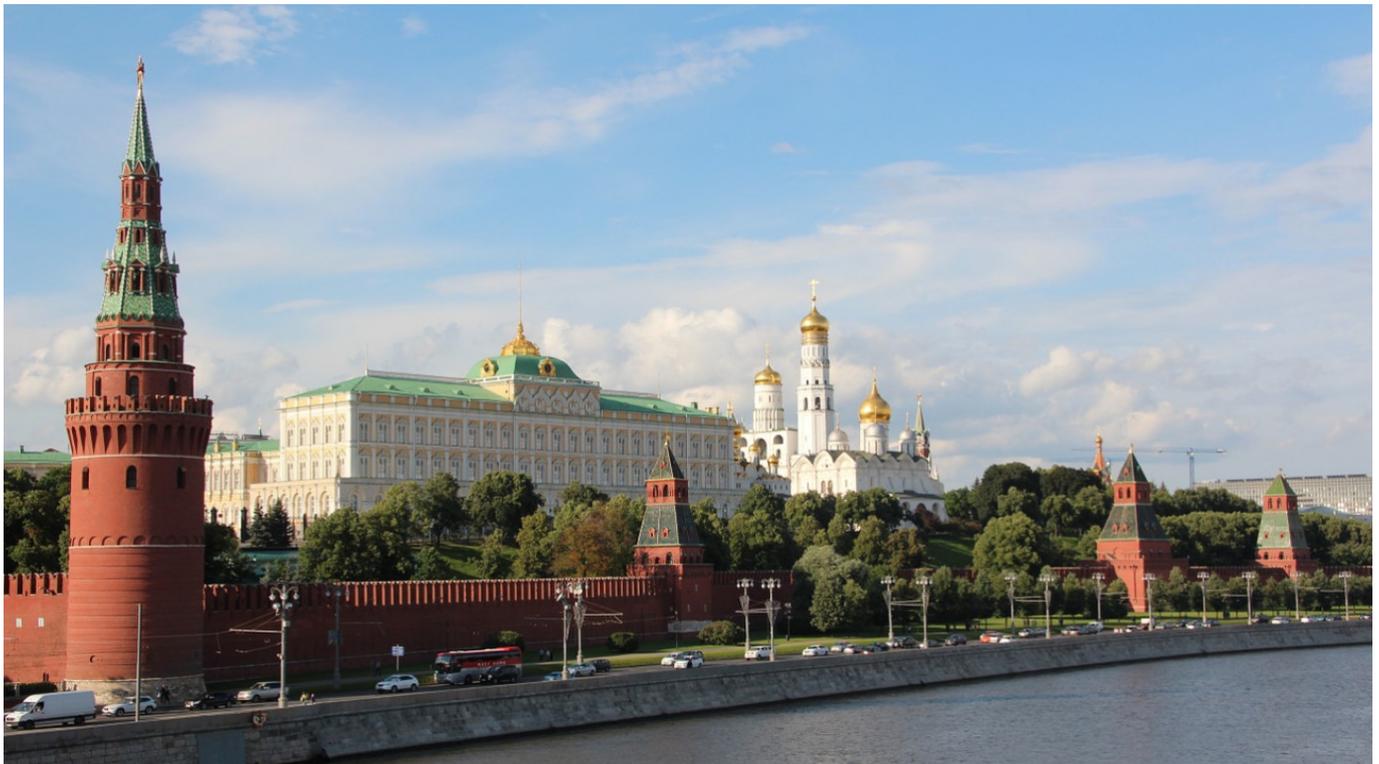


Kremlin Pledges a Response to New U.S. Sanctions on Russian Individuals

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The Kremlin said on Friday it would respond in kind to a new round of U.S. sanctions on Russian nationals, saying its retaliation would be consistent with Russia's national interest.

The United States on Thursday imposed sanctions on a Chechen group and five people, including at least three Russians, over allegations of human rights abuses, including extrajudicial killings and the torture of LGBT people.

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The sanctions against the Terek Special Rapid Response Team in Russia's southern region of Chechnya and the five people were announced by the U.S. Treasury under the Magnitsky Act.

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