

New 'Dancing' Bridge Probe

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President Dmitry Medvedev on Monday ordered a second investigation into the safety of the now-infamous “dancing” bridge over the Volga River in Volgograd, as well as a probe into the federal funding that went into its construction, Itar-Tass reported.

The bridge, which cost 12.3 billion rubles (\$398 million) and was under construction for 13 years before its opening last August, was discovered in May to roll in 1-meter-high waves for unknown reasons.

The Audit Chamber is to determine by September whether any construction funds were mishandled by developers or the regional government.

The federal government is to report by October whether the bridge meets all technical requirements.

The bridge’s builder has insisted that the structure is safe, and the bridge is open for traffic.

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