

Afghan Leader to Visit

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KABUL, Afghanistan — Afghan President Hamid Karzai is traveling to Russia this week at the invitation of President Dmitry Medvedev, seeking to bolster relations with his nation's former occupier, Afghanistan's government said in a statement Monday.

The trip begins Thursday. The two leaders are expected to discuss economic issues and Moscow's concern about the flow of drugs into Russia.

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