

4 EBRD Staffers Investigated

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The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development said Tuesday that it had agreed to a request from the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office and Russian authorities to lift the immunity of four officials assigned to the EBRD by the Russian government.

The move will facilitate corruption investigations in Britain and Russia. Only one of the four officials was identified by officials: Moscow's representative on the EBRD board, Yelena Kotova, whom the Economic Development Ministry said Tuesday that it had dismissed.

Independently, and prior to the requests, the EBRD opened an internal investigation and shared findings with Russian authorities. They will also be made available to British police, the EBRD said in a statement.

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