

'Mistaken' Kudrin to Remain on Council

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Former Finance Minister Alexei Kudrin's experience and expertise can be useful in the government, presidential aide Arkady Dvorkovich told journalists, Interfax reported. ☒

"Despite the president's decision to dismiss Finance Minister Alexei Kudrin, in the head of state's view, he is a good specialist in finance and macroeconomics," Dvorkovich said.

Kudrin "will continue heading the National Banking Council — at least until a new finance minister is appointed, and he will also remain the head of the presidential council on financial markets, within which a working group on the International Financial Center is active and where his professional skills could also be of use," Dvorkovich said. ☒

"[He] is mistaken, not disgraced," Dvorkovich said about Kudrin on his Twitter account.

Kudrin was dismissed Monday. Prime Minister Vladimir Putin announced at a government meeting Tuesday that Anton Siluanov would be acting finance minister, and Deputy Prime Minister Igor Shuvalov was instructed to supervise the financial and economic sector in the

government.

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