

Medvedev Tweets Pictures of Cat, Quashing Escape Rumors

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Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev has posted pictures of his cat Dorofei, quashing once and for all rumors that swirled in March that the cat gone missing, prompting ridicule and laughter at the feline's daring escape.

"The cat — at the request of viewers," Medvedev wrote in Twitter late Saturday with a link to a picture of the cat on the Instagram account he opened on the way to last month's G8 summit at Camp David.

The orange-tinted photo shows Dorofei lounging on a hardwood floor, ignoring the photographer.

The very first comment on the picture had no relation to the cat. "Dmitry Anatolyevich, get to work already," it said, RBC reported, though the comment was later deleted.

In March, rumors that the cat had gone missing erupted across the internet after media reported the cat had escaped from Medvedev's Rublyevko residence.

The report even said that a police search party had been formed to find the cat, prompting ridicule in Twitter, until then-President Medvedev stamped the rumors out with a message from his Twitter account.

"On the issue of the cat. From sources close to Dorofei, it has become clear that he hasn't gotten lost anywhere. Thanks to everyone for the trouble!" he wrote on Twitter.

Sobesednik.ru, the site that originally broke the story, claimed that the cat is a rare breed that costs more than \$1,000 and was hand-picked by the Medvedev's wife Svetlana.

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