

Asia-Pacific Role Touted

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The Asia-Pacific region accounted for 43 percent of Russia's arms exports in 2012, a deputy CEO of the state arms exporter Rosoboronexport, Viktor Komardin, told Interfax at the Lima-2013 exhibition on Tuesday, Interfax reported.

"We feel confident in the Asia-Pacific region," he said.

Komardin said that military equipment produced in Russia is "widespread in all the leading countries of the region except in Japan."

"Today Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, China, Malaysia and a number of other countries in the region are actively using Russian-made planes and helicopters, antiaircraft systems, naval military equipment, and land-based weapons and military equipment," he said.

He added that Russia has already established "long-term and fruitful" relationships with the majority of the Asia-Pacific countries and that it continues to improve those relations through various new forms of cooperation.

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