

Official Seeks to Oblige State Companies to Use Locally-Built Planes

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Deputy Prime Minister Dmitry Rogozin, who oversees the defense and aerospace sectors, has called for state companies that require air transport services to be obliged to use domestically built planes.

"We are obliging private companies to buy domestic aircraft, but state companies do not do that," Rogozin said.

He cited President Vladimir Putin as saying state companies should use Russian-made jets, adding Russian-made aircraft should also be bought for state companies' CEOs.

Media reports in April said Russian aircraft leasing company Ilyushin Finance Co. would supply a locally-made VIP-configured Ilyushin Il-96 jet to state oil company Rosneft.

Putin said earlier in November that domestic aircraft manufacturers should build their planes

using parts made in Russia.

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