

Seized Russian Fishing Ship to Be Released in Senegal

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The Russian trawler detained by Senegal is expected to be released Monday, the ship's owner told RIA Novosti.

Feniks, the Russian company that owns the Oleg Naidenov, paid a \$1 million fine to secure the vessel's release, a Russian state fisheries spokesman said Friday.

The trawler has been in custody in the port of Dakar since it was seized by Senegalese border guards off the coast of Guinea-Bissau on January 4 for allegedly fishing in Senegal's exclusive zone.

The captain of the Oleg Naidenov, which was carrying 62 Russians and 23 Bissau-Guinean crew members on board, insists his vessel was fishing legally in waters belonging to Guinea-Bissau.

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