

# Russia's Central Bank Spent \$1.8 Billion to Defend Ruble

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Russian rouble banknotes are seen in this illustration picture taken in Moscow.

Russia's Central Bank said on Friday it had conducted 72.43 billion rubles (\$1.8 billion) worth of forex interventions to defend the ruble on Oct. 15.

The Central Bank releases its interventions data with a time lag. The ruble has been sliding on falling oil prices and broad risk aversion towards Russia because of its role in the Ukraine crisis.

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