

DECREE  
OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION  
NO. 651 OF MAY 25, 1999  
ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE FEDERAL BODIES OF THE EXECUTIVE POWER  
(with the Amendments and Additions of June 8, June 28, July 6, 23,  
August 9, 1999)

For the purpose of forming an efficient structure of the federal bodies of the executive power and in accordance with Article 112 of the Constitution of the Russian Federation and the Federal Constitutional Law on the Government of the Russian Federation, I hereby decree:

1. To approve the annexed structure of the federal bodies of the executive power.

2. To abolish the Federal Energy Commission, the Russian Agency for Patents and Trademarks, and the Committee for the Conventional Problems of Chemical and Biological Weapons Attached to the President of the Russian Federation.

3. To form:

the Russian Shipbuilding Agency, while transferring thereto part of the functions of the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation;

the Russian Agency for Conventional Armaments, while transferring thereto part of the functions of the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation;

the Russian Agency for the Management Systems, while transferring thereto part of the functions of the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation;

the Russian Ammunition Agency, while transferring thereto part of the functions of the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation, and also the functions of the abolished Committee for the Conventional Problems of Chemical and Biological Weapons Attached to the President of the Russian Federation;

to the Ministry of the Russian Federation for the Support of Business, the functions of the abolished Federal Energy Commission;

to the Ministry of Justice of the Russian Federation, the functions of the Russian Agency for Patents and Trademarks.

5. To transform:

the Ministry of National Policy of the Russian Federation, into the Ministry for the Affairs of the Federation and Nationalities of the Russian Federation, while transferring thereto part of the functions of the transformed Ministry of Regional Policy of the Russian Federation;

the Ministry of Regional Policy of the Russian Federation, into the State Committee of the Russian Federation for the Affairs of the North;

the State Committee of the Russian Federation for the State Reserves, into the Russian Agency for the State Reserves;

the State Committee of the Russian Federation for the Affairs of the Youth, into the State Committee of the Russian Federation for the Youth Policy;

the State Land Committee of the Russian Federation, into the State Committee of the Russian Federation for Land Policy;

the State Committee of the Russian Federation for Communications and Informatization, into the State Committee of the Russian Federation for Telecommunications;

the State Statistics Committee of the Russian Federation, into the Russian Statistics Agency;

the State Committee of the Russian Federation for the Constructional, Architectural and Housing Policy, into the State Committee of the Russian Federation for Construction and the Housing-and-Communal Complex;

the Federal Road Service of Russia, into the Russian Road Agency;

the Federal Service of Russia for the Cases of Insolvency and Financial Sanation, into the Federal Service of Russia for Financial Sanation and Bankruptcy.

The State Committee for Physical Education and Tourism of the Russian Federation into a Ministry of Physical Education, Sports and Tourism of the Russian Federation.

6. The Ministry of General and Vocational Education of the Russian Federation is hereby renamed as the Ministry of Education of the Russian Federation.

7. To establish that the Chairman of the Government of the Russian Federation shall have five deputies, including three first deputy chairmen.

8. To establish that the coordination of the work of the First Deputy Chairmen of the Government of the Russian Federation and the Deputy Chairmen of the Government of the Russian Federation and the federal bodies of the executive power and the control over their activity shall be carried out by the Chairman of the Government of the Russian Federation and his deputies in accordance with the distribution of the duties between the Deputy Chairmen of the Government of the Russian Federation, approved by the Chairman of the Government of the Russian Federation.

To establish that in the case of temporary absence of the Chairman of the Government of the Russian Federation, the temporary fulfilment of his duties shall be entrusted to one of his First Deputies in accordance with the distribution of the duties. Such First Deputy, by the order of the Chairman of the Government of the Russian Federation, shall perform certain functions in the coordination of the work of the Deputy Chairmen of the Government of the Russian Federation and of the federal bodies of the executive power in the part concerning his competence in accordance with the distribution of the duties.

9. The Government of the Russian Federation shall:

approve within two months the regulations on the newly formed and the transformed federal bodies of the executive power;

distribute within a month the functions of the abolished federal bodies of the executive power on the basis of the provisions of this Decree, and also submit to the President of the Russian Federation proposals for the distribution of the functions of the abolished federal bodies of the executive power, the guidance of whose activity shall be carried out by the President of the Russian Federation;

approve within a month the maximum number and the fund of the remuneration of labour of the personnel of the central apparatus of the federal bodies of the executive power and their territorial bodies within the limits of the means stipulated by the Federal Law on the Federal Budget for 1999;

ensure the conduct in the periods, established by the legislation of the Russian Federation,

of the liquidation procedures and the granting to the redundant personnel of the privileges and compensations in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation;

submit within a month proposals for relevant amendments to the acts of the President of the Russian Federation on the federal bodies of the executive power, the guidance of whose activity is exercised by the President of the Russian Federation;

bring its acts in conformity with this Decree.

10. The Chief State-Legal Department of the President of the Russian Federation shall within two months submit proposals for the bringing of the acts of the President of the Russian Federation in conformity with this Decree.

11. To invalidate:

Item 7 of the Decree of the President of the Russian Federation No. 483 of April 30, 1998 on the Structure of the Federal Bodies of the Executive Power (Sobraniye zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, 1998, No. 18, item 2020);

Items 1, 4 and 5 of the Decree of the President of the Russian Federation No. 1142 of September 22, 1998 on the Structure of the Federal Bodies of the Executive Power, as amended (Sobraniye zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, 1998, No. 39, item 4886; No. 50, item 6126; No. 52, item 6393).

12. This Decree shall enter into force as from the day of its official publication.

President of the Russian Federation

Boris Yeltsin

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