

## [RU] Government Determined the Authority of the New Ministry of the Press, Broadcasting and Mass Communication

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On 10 September 1999, the Government of the Russian Federation adopted the Statute of the Ministry of the Press, Broadcasting and Mass Communications, which was created in July 1999 after the abolition of the State Committee on the Press and the Federal Service for Television and Radio Broadcasting. In accordance with the Statute, the main tasks for the new Ministry are: developing state policy in the field of the mass media; mass communications; broadcasting and publishing; licensing and registration of the mass media; control over the use of the radio-frequency spectrum and the use of satellites for broadcasting; compiling of Registers of the mass media; development of standards and certification of technical facilities for mass media; control over observance of legislation and conditions of the license; and participation in the work of international organizations and conferences.

