[RU] Draft Statute on Radio and Television Broadcasting

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The Mass Media Committee of the State Duma of the Russian Federationís Federal Council has prepared a draft Statute on radio and television.

The draft recognizes the right of citizens to freely seek out, receive, produce and distribute information through television and radio. Radio and television broadcasting can only be restricted as envisaged in the Constitution of the Russian Federation, the Mass Media Act, the Copyright Act and the Radio and Television Broadcasting Act (after the draft Statute has been adopted).

The draft Statute contains provisions on the organisation of radio and television broadcasting, the structure of radio and television companies and their activities, amongst which an anti-monopoly guarantee, provisions on the composition and tasks of the Radio and Television Broadcasting Commission, licensing procedures, and provision on the responsbility for violation of radio and television broadcasting legislation.

Furthermore the draft stipulates that in case of a conflict between its provisions and provisions of international legal instruments, the latter prevail.

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