

The cooperation between Greece and the Russian Federation in the commercial sector is expanding

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The cooperation between Greek and Russian businessmen is expanding following the signing of a "Cooperation Agreement" between the Athens Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI) and the Russian Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The signing of the Agreement took place during the recent visit of the former Prime Minister of Russia and current Chairman of the Russian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mr Yevgeniy Primakov on the occasion of the Business Conference "Greece - Russia: Business potential in energy, tourism, new technologies and commerce" which took place in Athens on April 20 - 21, 2005.

Mr Y. Primakov in his speech emphasized the importance given by his country to the relations with Greece and pointed out the existing opportunities for promoting projects of common interest as well as the efforts to be undertaken for enlarging the cooperation between the two countries.

The Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Ev. Stylianides conveyed to the Conference a message from the Prime Minister, Mr. K. Karamanlis and the Minister of Development, Mr D. Sioufas, the Minister of Agricultural Development, Mr Ev. Bassiakos, the Deputy Minister of Economy and

Economics, Mr Chr. Folias, the Deputy Minister for Development, Mr. G. Salagoudis, the Chairman of ACCI Mr Dr. Fountoukakos and other officials presented their views.