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##### **Russian Government plans to gradually raise toll rates**

The Russian Government plans to increase road tolls collected to make up for damage done to federal roads by vehicles with a gross weight of over 12 tons – from RUB 1.53 to RUB 2.6 per 1km starting February 2017 and to RUB 3.06 per 1km starting June 2017.

However, the final decision has not yet been made.

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##### **Media and Communications Association to regulate instant messengers and online video streaming sites**

The Media and Communications Association prepared a draft law regulating instant messaging and video streaming services.

Instant messaging services will be required to have contracts with telecom operators, identify their users and block transmission of banned content.

Online video streaming platforms will be treated as mass-media: foreign participation will be limited to 20%.

Also, video streaming platforms will have to register with Roskomnadzor (the Russian Federal IT and Communications regulator), and have their content previewed for regulatory compliance.

The draft law has not yet been officially published.

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##### **New urban landscape plans: offices to proliferate around major transportation hubs**

Moscow's Urban Design Institute has proposed a new spatial development concept that will evolve into the master plan for Moscow, due to be approved by July 2017.

The new concept suggests concentrating offices around the major transportation hubs (a total of nine business districts are planned).

Such business districts will enjoy a range of business and tax benefits.

At the same time, higher tax rates for land and property located in the city centre may be introduced.

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We hope that you will find the information in this edition interesting and informative. Should you have any questions on this subject, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,

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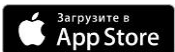


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