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Russia and African countries are interested in broad industrial cooperation.

I would single out five main strategic areas in which our companies have already begun building cooperation with our African colleagues. Above all, this involves the modernization of the existing industrial infrastructure, and in this regard, projects are being implemented to supply the latest Russian equipment for metallurgical and mining enterprises. The next area is the development of the transport and logistics system, including the supply of rolling stock for railways, airplanes, and helicopters of various classes and purposes, as well as security and control systems for these modes of transport. The third pillar for industrial cooperation is involvement in the creation of energy infrastructure, oil, gas, and generating capacities, including hydro and nuclear energy, as well as promising projects in renewable energy sources. Another cross-sectoral area incorporates the entire perimeter of food security issues [...]. And, finally, we believe there are great prospects for our medical and pharmaceutical industries to take part in the technological development of the healthcare system and drug supply for all countries of the continent — Denis Manturov, Minister of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation.

We have identified two points for our presence in this region: the north, namely Egypt, where we are currently implementing a project to supply 1,300 passenger cars, and the south, namely South Africa. All that is left for us to do along with our colleagues present in this room is to build a trans-African highway, connect the northern and southern parts, and ensure appropriate the economic growth and industrial growth, while we will sell our passenger cars and locomotives — Kirill Lipa, General Director, Transmashholding.
Our presence in Africa began more than ten years ago in 2008 with the acquisition of the bauxite mining company Sierra Mineral Holdings (SMHL). To date, production has exceeded 3 million tonnes, including 2 million tonnes of high-quality bauxite that is exported [...]. Now we are pushing forward with the construction of a hydrated plant. The project involves the establishment of the first enterprise [in Sierra Leone] for the processing of non-metallurgical products with high added value. It will have capacity of 200,000 tonnes of aluminium hydrate per year — Karima Nigmatulina, General Director, Vi Holding.

Our strategy is to diversify the African continent so that it receives investments from a variety of sources, including Russia. We view Russia as one of the main suppliers of these investments. We need experience in agriculture and the raw materials industries — Benedict Okey Oramah, President, Chairman of the Board of Directors, African Export–Import Bank (Afreximbank).

There are so many areas in which we can collaborate. Egypt currently needs a large number of buses. It also needs to develop the transport system because the existing roads are extremely congested right now, and, of course, Russia is one of the leading countries in this area, so there is no doubt that Russia’s experience will help us. We have everything we need for this. We also have natural gas reserves. This is another area in which Russia is one of the world leaders, so our Russian colleagues can certainly help us here — Amr Nassar, Minister of Trade and Industry of the Arab Republic of Egypt.
Egypt is a new promising form of cooperation between two countries

use of a territory with the area of five million square metres; this is the territory that, as part of the larger special economic zone, will be provided to Russian residents at some stage of the project implementation. <...> We are certain that our cooperation with Russia, with Russian companies will be very fruitful, and that they will become more and more interested — Yehia Zaki, Chairman, Suez Canal Economic Zone (SCZone).

Our main objective is to unlock our potential and that of Russian technologies using this amazing platform in Egypt. <...> We are talking about a combination of Russian high-tech production and the Egyptian platform, where we can see workforce and related industry sectors that are necessary for implementation of this product. As a result, we see a lot of potential — Amr Nassar, Minister of Trade and Industry of the Arab Republic of Egypt.

The industrial zone project in Egypt is a very different scale than just an industrial park. Such zone is a hub, where and around which a competence centre is created. The imprint that Russia will be leaving over the upcoming years and decades around this hub is going to be much more significant than just some profit, some goods that are produced and sold. This is going to be a huge community of people who will have received education according to our technologies, approaches and standards — Mikhail Orlov, Partner, Head of Tax and Legal, KPMG Russia; Chairman of the Expert Council of the Committee for Budget and Taxes of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.

The interest expressed by Egypt is very understandable. It is great that they see Russia as a partner: indeed, we can bring certain technologies, certain capital and facilitate development — Andrey Slepnev, Chief Executive Officer, Russian Export Centre.

Africa is no stranger to Russia. Brand new unique opportunities are emerging, and we will not miss them. In ten years, Africa might be the second China in terms of production, consumption and scale. <...> We believe in this project. We know that it was conceived long ago. Now we are implementing it — Marina Kim, Anchor, Channel One Russia.

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Technology advances leads to increased competition in global energy markets

We live in the industrialization 4.0. All companies are actively involved in innovations, active implementation of various new technologies, energy efficiency. A lot of attention is given to environment. This and new technology combined leads to competition in global markets. This competition grows greater every year. Only in the 21st century, the number of countries producing over 4 million barrels a day has doubled, and the number of countries, producing more than 100 billion cubic metres of gas has increased 4 times – Alexander Novak, Minister of Energy of the Russian Federation.

Russian fuel and energy complex making good progress

It is the energy industry that attracts a lot of investment, and the Ministry of Energy is working on developing Russia’s economy — Kirill Dmitriev, Chief Executive Officer, Russian Direct Investment Fund (RDIF).

Fuel and energy driver of Russia’s economy – it accounts for about 25% of GDP, and 50% of all budget revenue. <..< Last year, the total amount of investment in the fuel and energy complex added up to about 5 trillion roubles: about 4,200 billion roubles invested in the oil and gas industry and transport, and 800 billion – in electric power – Alexander Novak, Minister of Energy of the Russian Federation.

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