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NEW PRINCIPLES OF THE RUSSIAN STATE POLICY IN THE AREA OF UTILIZATION OF
SPACE ACTIVITY RESULTS

Abstract

14 January 2014 the President of the Russian Federation signed a document named "Basic Principles of State Policy of the Russian Federation in the Area of Utilization of Space Activity Results in the Interests of Economic Modernization of the Russian Federation and the Development of its Regions for the Period till 2030". The main specific feature of this political document, which has no direct effect, is the development of a new concept "space activity results" (SAR) which implies products and services created in the course of space activities. It its turn, "utilization of SAR" is understood as a purpose-oriented process connected with the acquisition of SAR, their processing, adaptation to consumer demands and application.

The Basic Principles of SAR utilization set forth state interests, principles, purpose, priorities, tasks and stages of implementation of the Russian state policy in the field of SAR utilization. Among the stipulated interests the following should be highlighted:

- development of hi-tech and knowledge-intensive sectors of the national economy;
- development of the domestic market of space products and services;
- widening of representation by the Russian enterprises in the global space market.

In order to achieve the set goal and satisfy the above interests a whole range of measures is needed, the primary among which shall be the modification of the existing Russian legislation, including the 1993 Law "On Space Activities". The Basic Principles of SAR utilization set forth the issues to be solved and time frameworks to be observed by the legislator to enhance the national legal regime and replenish its lacunas to ensure the efficiency of national space activities.