

Russian Foreign Minister Calls Off Upcoming Visit to Turkey



Moscow, November 24 (RHC)-- The Russian foreign minister has canceled his visit to Turkey, scheduled for Wednesday, in the wake of Ankara's downing of a Russian fighter jet near the Syrian border.

"The decision has been taken to cancel the meeting that was planned for tomorrow in Istanbul between the foreign ministers of Russia and Turkey," Sergei Lavrov said in televised comments from Russia's southwestern city of Sochi on Tuesday.

Elsewhere in his comments, Lavrov further advised Russian citizens not to travel to Turkey, arguing that the threat of terrorism in the Middle Eastern country was similar to the one seen in Egypt.

Meanwhile, Rostourism, the Russian state tourism agency, recommended suspending the selling of tour packages to Turkey, according to the Russian RIA news agency.

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