

Iran proposes to abolish visas for Russian businessmen

On June 23, 2022, the Iranian Foreign Minister announced his readiness to cancel the visa regime for citizens of Russia

Iranian Foreign Minister Amir Abdollahian, following talks with his Russian counterpart Sergei Lavrov in Tehran, proposed abolishing visas for Russians.

"We have good relations on the issue of full liberalization of visas, we have discussed this issue. Iran is ready to abolish visas between the two countries. As a first step, we discussed the abolition of visas for businessmen in order to increase trade cooperation," Hossein Amir-Abdollahian said at a press conference following talks with Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov.

Soon experts will "finalize these issues," he said.

Russia and Iran are not taking the first steps towards mutual visa facilitation. In 2016, an <u>agreement</u> was signed to simplify the conditions for mutual trips for certain categories of citizens of Russia and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

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