



**MINISTRY OF DEFENSE
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Re: № 2-41119 from 19.11.2004

To the President of YACONTO LLC

S.P. YAKUNIN

Dear Sergey Pavlovich!

According to your appeal, the Ministry of Defense of Russia has reviewed the materials of YACONTO Integrated Program for the construction of a new Black Sea commercial port and a creation of a Navy marine base in Tuapse region of Krasnodar Territory.

Previously, by the request of A.G. Burutin, the Advisor of the President of Russian Federation from September 9th 2004 № A60-2-252, the Ministry of Defense of Russia has assessed the expediency of establishing the main basing point for the Black Sea fleet ships in Tuapse region of Krasnodar Territory, as proposed by the YACONTO Integrated Program.

The position of the Ministry of Defense on this topic is reflected in the reply to A.G. Burutin, the Advisor of the President of Russian Federation, from October 27th 2004 № 205/11777 (copy enclosed).

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(The Russian text of this letter is an original.)