

## Rosoboronexport and USC will together protect the results of intellectual activity

On August 21, 2018, during the Army 2018 International Military Technical Forum, Rosoboronexport, part of the Rostec State Corporation, signed a cooperation agreement with the United Shipbuilding Corporation on legal protection of the results of intellectual activity in the process of military-technical cooperation.

"The world market of military products is showing a steady increase in the number of technology partnership projects, such as research and development, licensing, joint ventures and other technology transfer projects. In this context, protection of the results of intellectual activity is becoming the critical issue and by addressing it we significantly mitigate the risks of unfair competition for ourselves," said Alexander Mikheev, Director General of Rosoboronexport.

The cooperation agreement between Rosoboronexport and United Shipbuilding Corporation is a framework agreement that provides for coordination between the parties in the legal protection of the results of intellectual activity related to military products in implementing foreign trade activities.

The cooperation agreement defines the procedure for the parties, the allocation of rights and obligations, as well as the financing by the parties of measures to identify, protect and defend the rights to the results of intellectual activity for each project for the supply of products or the transfer of military technology outside the territory of the Russian Federation.

"Rosoboronexport, together with the defense industry organizations and state bodies, is ready to address the problems of protecting the rights of Russian rights holders to the results of intellectual activity in a systematic way, including the rights of the Russian Federation, when concluding and executing contracts that include the transfer of military technology," added Alexander Mikheev.

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Rostec State Corporation is a Russian corporation that was established in 2007 to facilitate the development, production and export of high-tech industrial products designed for civilian and military applications. The Corporation comprises over 700 organizations that are currently part of 11 holding companies operating in the military-industrial complex and 3 holding companies working in civilian industry, as well as 80 directly managed organizations. Rostec's portfolio includes well-known brands such as AVTOVAZ, KAMAZ, Kalashnikov Concern, Russian Helicopters, VSMPO AVISMA, UralVagonZavod, etc. Rostec companies are located in 60 constituent entities of the Russian Federation and supply products to more than 70 countries. In 2016, the consolidated revenue of Rostec amounted to 1 trillion 266 billion rubles, while the consolidated net income and EBITDA amounted to 88 and 268 billion rubles respectively. In 2016, the average salary in the Corporation was 44,000 rubles. According to Rostec strategy, the main objective of the Corporation is to ensure that Russia has a technological advantage in highly competitive global markets. Rostec's key objectives include the introduction of a new techno-economic paradigm and the digitalization of the Russian economy.

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