

Comment by the Russian Foreign Ministry's Information and Press Department on new US anti-Russian sanctions

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Washington would not calm down with its sanctions it seems, again extending them to a number of Russian citizens and entities. The effect is bound to be zero as before, because forcing Russia to change its independent policy on the international arena is not working. Yet, US politicians continue to cherish illusions, imagining the US as a global gendarme, but each new unsuccessful attempt to put pressure on our country only exposes their own helplessness.

Moreover, the United States demonstrates obvious short-sightedness inventing an enemy where there is none, instead of putting more effort into fighting terrorism and other real threats. This is not just a flawed, but a very dangerous policy, for which history will inevitably punish its initiators.

In addition to this, we have certainly noted the fact that the last two extensions of the anti-Russian sanctions were adopted on the eve of our main public holidays –Victory Day and Day of Russia. We will take this into account.