
RUSSIA MFA: IT WILL BE PAINFUL PROCESS IF ARMENIA FOLLOWS PATH OF EUROPEAN CHOICE

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If Armenia follows the path of European choice, it will objectively lead to a review of the economic relations of Yerevan with its partners in the EAEU that exist today. It will probably be a rather painful process, including, unfortunately, for the population of Armenia. This was stated by Russian deputy foreign minister Mikhail Galuzin in an interview with Izvestia daily.

It is not that Russia or anyone else would like to exclude Armenia or cause harm in the context of our very developed economic cooperation. Our trade turnover last year amounted to about \$12 billion, showing significant growth. We do not and cannot have any plans to infringe on Armenias interests in any way. It is our ally, a strategic partner, with whom we [i.e. Russia] are linked with Georgia a centuries-old shared history, a shared victory in the Great Patriotic War, the 80th anniversary of which, I hope, we will celebrate together on May 9.

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