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USSR TERRITORIAL-ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (15)

[Comment: The following territorial-administrative changes were reported in the Soviet daily press and in Vedomosti Verkhovnogo Sove'a SSSR primarily during July and August 1956. The dates of the ukases are given when available.

Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

## ARMENIAN SSR

By a 7 July ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Armenian SSR, Idzhevan Village, Idzhevanskiy Rayon, was designated a city-type settlement. (1)

## KARELO-FINNISH SSR

By 26 June 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Karelo-Finnish SSR, the populated points Ambarnyy and Kesten'ga of Loukhskiy Rayon, were designated workers' settlements. (2)

## KAZAKH SSR

By a 31 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Kazakh SSR, the administrative center of Georgiyevskiy Rayon, Yuzhno-Kazakhstanskaya Oblast, was transferred from Georgiyevka Village to the city of Lenger.

By a 31 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Kazakh SSR, Arys' Workers' Settlement, Arysskiy Rayon, Yuzhno-Kazakhstanskaya Oblast, was designated a city of rayon subordination.

By 31 July 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Kazakh SSR, the populated point Nikol'skiy, Czbekkazganskiy City Soviet, Karagandinskaya Oblast, and the populated point at Dar'ya railway station now referred to as Dar'inskiy in Zhana-Arkinskiy Rayon, were designated workers' settlements. (3)

## KIRGIZ SSR

By a 25 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Kirgiz SSR, Chon-Alayskiy Rayon, Oshskaya Oblast, was re-established. (1)

## MOLDAVIAN SSR

By decree of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Moldavian SSR, the populated point which was recently established at the Third Moldavian Saccharine Factory, Floreshtskiy Rayon, was designated a city-type settlement called Leninskiy. (4)

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## RSFSR

By a 17 May 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following rayons in Tatarskaya ASSR were abolished: Podberezinskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Kaybitskiy Rayon; and Churilinskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Arskiy and Sabinskiy rayons. In addition, Shemordan Workers' Settlement was transferred to Sabinskiy Rayon.

By 24 May 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following populated points were designated workers' settlements: the populated point Vydrino in the suburban zone of Babushkin, a city in Buryat-Mongol'skaya ASSR; and the populated points Novo-Raychikhinsk and Progress in the suburban zone of Raychikhinsk, a city in Amurskaya Oblast. In additions, Allochkin Otrog became a workers' settlement called Shirokiy.

By 24 May 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following rayons were abolished: in Molotovskaya Oblast, Grigor'yevskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Nytvenskiy Rayon; in Kabardinskaya ASSR, Nal'chikskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Chegemskiy and Urvanskiy rayons and the suburban zone of Nal'chik, capital of the republic; in Chelyabinskaya Oblast, Kuluyevskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Argayashskiy Rayon, and finally, Burinskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Bagaryakskiy and Kunashakskiy rayons;

In Sverdlovskaya Oblast, Lenskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Turinskiy Rayon, Nizhne-Saldinskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to the administrative subordination of Verkhne-Saldinskiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies, Aramil'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Sysertskiy and Beloyarskiy rayons (Aramil', Bol'shoy Istok, Verkhneye Dubrovo, and Shabrovskiy workers' settlements were transferred to Sysertskiy Rayon, while Kol'tsovo Workers' Settlement was transferred to the administrative subordination of Sverdlovskiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies), Rudnyy Urban Rayon, Nizhniy Tagil, its territory transferred to Leninskiy Rayon, Sovetskiy Urban Rayon, Kamensk-Ural'skiy, its territory transferred to Sinarskiy Rayon, and Stalinskiy Urban Rayon, Sverdlovsk, its territory transferred to Kirovskiy, Kaganovichskiy, and Molotovskiy rayons;

In Kurskaya Oblast, Krivtsovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Pristen'skiy and Oboyanskiy rayons, Oktyabr'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Kastorenskiy and Sovetskiy rayons, and finally, Yasenovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Gorshechenskiy Rayon.

By a 2 June 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Bryansk and Bezhitsa, cities in Bryanskaya Oblast, were joined to form a single city, Bryansk. A Bezhitskiy Rayon was established in the city of Bryansk.

By 14 June 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following were designated workers' settlements: Borodinskiy Settlement, Dedilovskiy Rayon, Tul'skaya Oblast; Abaza Settlement, Tashtypskiy Rayon, Khakasskaya Autonomous Oblast, Krasnoyarskiy Kray; the populated point Zatrechnyy, Kemerovskaya Oblast, its territory transferred to the administrative subordination of Stalinskiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies; the settlement now referred to as Verkhne-Dneprovskiy at the construction site of Dorogobuzhskaya State Regional Electric Power Station, Dorogobuzhskiy Rayon, Smolenskaya Oblast; and the populated point Asnakayevo, Asnakayeviskiy Rayon, Tatarskaya ASSR.

By a 14 June 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the Rostov-Na-Donu city limits were extended to include Nizhne-Gnilovskoy Workers' Settlement.

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By a 14 June 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the city of Polyarnyy, Murmanskaya Oblast, was designated a city of rayon subordination in Polyarnyy Rayon.

By 14 June 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following workers' settlements were designated cities of rayon subordination: Volodary Workers' Settlement, now Volodarsk, Volodarskiy Rayon, Gor'kovskaya Oblast; and Novo-Annenskiy Workers' Settlement, Novo-Annenskiy Rayon, Stalingradskaya Oblast.

By 14 June 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following rayons in Groznenskaya Oblast abolished: Goryacheistochnenskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Groznenskiy Rayon; Pervomayskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Sunzhenskiy Rayon; and Predgornyy Rayon, its territory transferred to Mezhdurechenskiy and Krasnoarmeyskiy rayons.

By a 27 June 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Tsudakharskiy Rayon, Dagestanskaya ASSR, was abolished and its territory transferred to Akushinskiy and Levashinskiy rayons.

By a 28 June 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Achi-Su Workers' Settlement, Karabudakhkentskiy Rayon, Dagestanskaya ASSR, was transferred to the administrative subordination of Izberbashkiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies.

By a 28 June 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Podporozh'ye Workers' Settlement, Podporozhskiy Rayon, Leningradskaya Oblast, was designated a city of rayon subordination.

By 4 July 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following rayons were abolished: in Kirovskaya Oblast, Bel'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Falenskiy Rayon, Vozhgal'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Prosnitskiy Rayon, Kichminskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Pizhanskiy Rayon, Makar'yevskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Darovskiy and Kogel'nichskiy rayons, Salobelyakskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Yaranskiy Rayon, and Tataurovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Verkhoshizhenskiy, Molotovskiy, Sovetskiy, and Sunskiy rayons;

In Bashkirskaya ASSR, Abzanovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Zianchurinskiy Rayon, Buzov'yazovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Aurgazinskiy and Karmaskalinskiy rayons, Voskresenskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Meleuzovskiy Rayon, Kandrin'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Tuymazinskiy Rayon, Karaidel'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Baykibashevskiy Rayon, Matrayevskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Zilairskiy, Baymakskiy, and Khaybullinskiy rayons, and Ulu-Telyakskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Arkhangel'skiy and Iglinskiy rayons,

In addition, Urman Workers' Settlement was transferred to Iglinskiy Rayon; in Lipetskaya Oblast, Bol'she-Polyanskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Terbunskiy Rayon, Grachevskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Usmanskiy Rayon, Dmitryashevskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Khlevenskiy Rayon, Kolybel'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Chaplyginskiy and Dobrovskiy rayons, Talitskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Dobrinskiy Rayon, and Chibisovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Yeletskiy Rayon;

In Tambovskaya Oblast, Tugolukovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Zherdevskiy Rayon, Khabotovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Michurinskiy Rayon, and Shul'ginskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Mordovskiy Rayon; and finally, in Kalininskaya Oblast, Yemel'yanovskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Vysokovskiy, Kalininskiy, Staritskiy, and Turginovskiy rayons, Kozlovskiy

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Rayon, its territory transferred to Spirovskiy and Maksatikhinskiy rayons, Kushalinskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Kalininskiy and Novotorzhskiy rayons, Nerl'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Kalyazinskiy Rayon, Novo-Karel'skiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Spirovskiy and Likhoslavl'skiy rayons, Ovinishchenskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Krasnokholmskiy, Sandovskiy, and Ves'yegonskiy rayons, Tebleshskiy Rayon, its territory transferred to Goritskiy and Bezhetskiy rayons, (1) and Mednovskiy Rayon. This reduction from 47 to 39 rayons in Kalininskiy Oblast will result in a savings of several million rubles which it previously had taken to support the administrative apparatuses in these rayons. (5)

By a 5 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Kurtamysh Workers' Settlement, Kurtamyshskiy Rayon, Kurganskaya Oblast, was designated a city of rayon subordination.

By 5 July 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following were designated workers' settlements: the populated point Khovu-Aksy, Tandinskiy Rayon, Tuvinskaya Autonomous Oblast; and Berezovka Settlement, Kemerovskiy Rayon, Kemerovskaya Oblast.

By 7 July 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following rayons were abolished: Kirovskiy Rayon in the city of Chelyabinsk, its territory transferred to Zheleznodorozhnyy and Sovetskiy rayons; Churovichskiy Rayon, Bryanskaya Oblast, its territory transferred to Klimovskiy Rayon; Krasnoyarskiy Rayon, Saratovskaya Oblast, its territory transferred to Marksovskiy and Ternovskiy rayons; and Privolzhskiy Rayon, also in Saratovskaya Oblast, its territory transferred to Rovenskiy and Ternovskiy rayons.

By an 18 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Bachatskiy and Gramoteino workers' settlements, Belovskiy Rayon, Kemerovskaya Oblast, were transferred to the administrative subordination of Belovskiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies.

By an 18 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the name of Kzyl-Yulskiy Rayon, Tatarskaya ASSR, was changed to Tukayevskiy.

By an 18 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the settlement at the Lyutoricheskaya Mines No 2, 3, and 4, Donskiy Rayon, Moskovskaya Oblast, was designated a workers' settlement, and is now referred to as Rudnev.

By a 24 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Ufa and Chernikovsk, cities in Bashkirskaya ASSR, were merged into a single city, Ufa.

By 24 July 1956 ukases of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the following urban rayons were abolished: Sudzhenskiy Rayon in Anzhero-Sudzhensk and Baykamskiy Rayon in Leninsk-Kuznetskiy, Kemerovskaya Oblast; Zhdanovskiy Rayon in Ufa, Bashkirskaya ASSR, its territory transferred to Kirovskiy and Leninskiy rayons; and Stalinskiy Rayon in Chernikovsk, Bashkirskaya ASSR, its territory transferred to Kalininskiy Rayon. (1)

By a 17 August 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, Vnukovo Workers' Settlement, Kuntsevskiy Rayon, Moskovskaya Oblast, was made administratively subordinate to Leninskiy Rayon Soviet, Moscow. (6)

By a 27 August 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet RSFSR, the city limits of Domodedovo, Podol'skiy Rayon, Moskovskaya Oblast, were extended to include Konstantinovskiy Workers' Settlement. (7)

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## TADZHIK SSR

By a 20 June 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Tadzhik SSR, the administrative center of Stalinabadskiy Rayon was transferred from Yaka-Chinarskiy to another city-type settlement, Koktash. (1)

## TURKMEN SSR

By a 20 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Turkmen SSR, Kum-Dagskiy Rayon, Ashkhabadskaya Oblast, was abolished and its territory transferred to the administrative subordination of Nebit-Daga City Soviet of Workers' Deputies. (8)

By a 26 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Turkmen SSR, Cheleken, a city-type settlement in Ashkhabadskaya Oblast, was designated a city of oblast subordination. The city limits were extended to include within them the settlements imeni 1 Maya and imeni Azizbekova. Chelekenskiy Rayon was abolished, and its territory transferred to the administrative subordination of Chelekenskiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies. In addition, Karagel' Settlement was designated a city-type settlement. The populated points Aladzha and the one at the oil field were transferred to the administrative subordination of Karagel' Settlement Soviet of Workers' Deputies. Karagel' and Dagadzhik settlement soviets were in turn subordinated to Chelekenskiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies. Ogurchinskiy Island was transferred to the administrative subordination of Krasnovodskiy Rayon Soviet of Workers' Deputies. (9)

## UKRAINIAN SSR

By a 17 July 1956 ukase of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Ukrainian SSR, Leninskiy and Staliniski urban rayons were merged into a single rayon, Leninskiy, in the city of L'vov, L'vovskaya Oblast. (10)

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