

Russian court grants interim relief in support of LCIA arbitration (Zamoskvoretsky District Court)

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In *Case No 13-1256/2025*, the Russian Zamoskvoretsky District Court of general jurisdiction granted an application for interim relief in support of an LCIA arbitration.

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The Russian Zamoskvoretsky District Court of general jurisdiction (Moscow court) has granted an application for interim relief in support of an LCIA arbitration.

The LCIA arbitration is related to the partial non-payment by the buyer of software (respondent) from the seller (claimant). The claimant applied to the Moscow court for interim relief in support of the arbitration, pointing out that the buyer was disposing its assets, which could make any future enforcement of the LCIA arbitral award difficult or even impossible.

The Moscow court granted the application for interim relief, noting that:

- The absence of the Russian court's jurisdiction over the case does not prevent the court from granting interim relief in relation to arbitration cases where there is a threat of non-enforcement of a future arbitral award.
- The claimant presented convincing evidence that the respondent was disposing its Russian assets through which the award could potentially be enforced in Russia.
- The Moscow court also considered the English High Court decision in *Fishman v Mangazeev [2024] EWHC 2558 (Ch)* on the imposition of interim relief to seize all of the respondent's assets in England.

It is now rare for a Russian court to support an arbitration administrated by the LCIA or any other international arbitration centre that is located in a place that has been identified by Russia as an "unfriendly state".

Case: [Case No 13-1256/2025 \(Zamoskvoretsky District Court\)](#) (1 August 2025).

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