

## ST PETERSBURG TOWN COUNCIL LISTENS TO ELECTRO-VOICE® LOUDSPEAKERS

**St Petersburg, Russia/Straubing, Germany (April 17, 2003):** The new council chamber of St Petersburg now boasts the very latest communications equipment. Ruton S, the company commissioned to perform the installation, put its faith in Electro-Voice loudspeakers for the project. Located within the city's monumental Marrinsky Palace, the St Petersburg council chamber has taken two years to renovate -- a lavish undertaking -- not least in so far as the newly installed sound and video equipment is concerned. One area that required particular attention to detail amidst the grand architecture was the problematic acoustics in the "Grand Hall" (as the new council chamber of the former Russian capital is known), which has a reverberation time of around 3.5 seconds!



Russian Electro-Voice distributor Ruton S was the firm entrusted with the responsibility of bringing the venerable 19th century hall into line with the highest contemporary standards of communication. One of the first tasks was to install a modern conference and voting system. Playing a key role in all this was the sound reinforcement system. After conducting simulations (using EV's EAMS software), Ruton S opted for the following set-up, not only because it offered outstanding sound quality, but also because of its compact dimensions and elegant appearance:

- (16) Electro-Voice EVID 4.2T dual 4-inch, full-range compact loudspeakers
- (2) Electro-Voice Sx300 12-inch, two-way, high-output, full-range compact loudspeakers
- (2) Electro-Voice CPS-2T amplifiers

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The new sound system was a revelation for the city councilors when they met for the first time in the newly refurbished city hall. Finally, in all areas of the chamber they could hear loudly and clearly what was being said. In fact, the level of speech intelligibility could hardly be improved. As Gregory Ronin commented: "our customers were full of enthusiasm and even somewhat surprised, having previously tried out several rival systems - none of which even came close to EV's in terms of sound quality."

Successful politics, they say, is grounded on the ability to listen. If that's true, the conditions in St Petersburg are now ideal. Acoustically, at any rate...

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