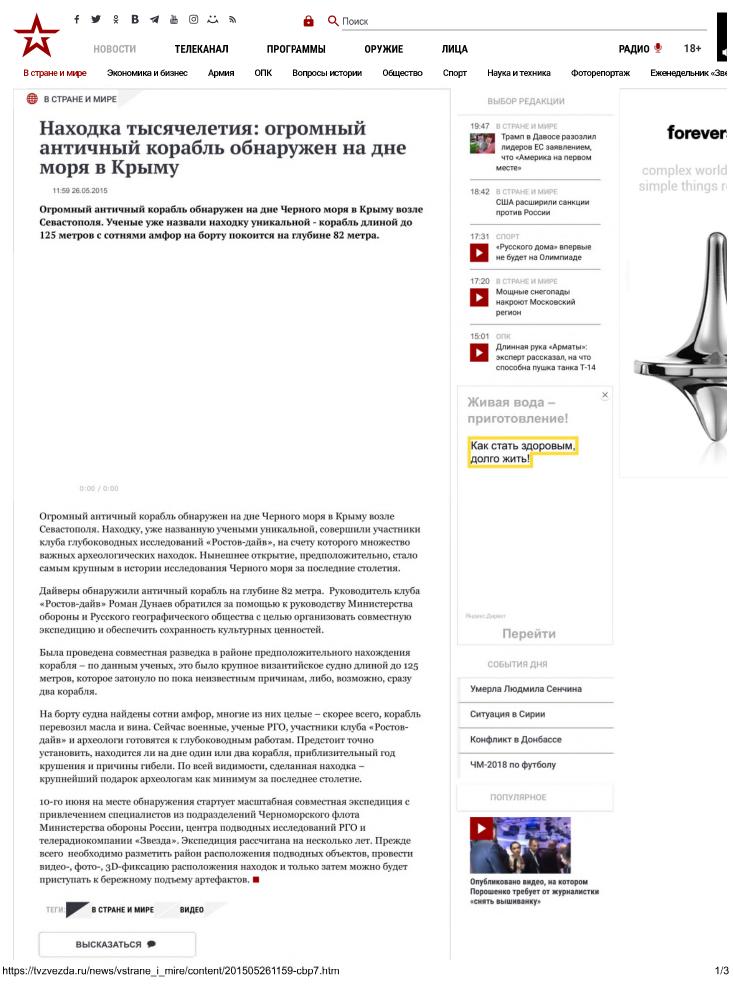
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TRANSLATION

Find of the millennium: huge antique ship discovered at the bottom of the sea in Crimea

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A huge antique ship was discovered at the bottom of the Black Sea in Crimea near Sevastopol. The find, which scientists have already called unique, was made by participants of the Rostov Dive deep water exploration club, which has already made many archaeological finds. The current discovery may have become the largest in the history of Black Sea research in past centuries.

The divers discovered an antique ship at a depth of 82 meters. Rostov Dive club director Roman Dunaev requested assistance from the leaders of the Ministry of Defense and Russian Geographic Society to organize a joint expedition and keep the cultural valuables safe.

Joint exploration was done in the area where the ship was thought to be located: according to scientists' data it was a large Byzantine ship with a length of up to 125 meters that sank for reasons as yet unknown, or, possibly, there are two ships.

Hundreds of amphorae were found on board the ship, many of them intact: most likely the ship transported oils and wines. Now the military, Russian Geographic Society scientists, Rostov Dive club participants and archaeologists are preparing for deep-sea operations. They need to determine precisely whether one or two ships are on the bottom, the approximate year of the shipwreck and the reasons for the wreck. Apparently the find that was made is the greatest gift to archaeologists for at least the past century.

A large-scale joint expedition involving specialists from subdivisions of the Black Sea Fleet of the Ministry of Defense of Russia, the Russian Geographic Society underwater research center and Zvezda television and radio company starts on June 10 at the site of the discovery. The expedition is intended to last a few years. First of all, it is necessary to demarcate the area where the underwater objects are located, do video, photo and 3D recording of the location of the finds and only then will it be possible to proceed to carefully bringing up the artifacts.