

The winter roads built with snow and ice over extensive tracts of the region are being used day and night.

The tension on the winter routes is quite understandable. Chukotka practically has no roads in the common sense of the word. Columns of all-terrain vehicles leave during the polar night for the tundra and taiga, where only watch towers mark the direction to be taken by the traffic. And all the deliveries - hundreds of tonnes of cargo, essential to national economy and to the life and work of miners, geologists, builders, reindeer breeders and hunters in numerous remote settlements - must be made immediately, before the snow bridges start "flowing" under the spring sun.

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