

After this, the "Metelitsa" team intends to travel from Vostok Station to the southern geographic pole in 70-75 days (December 1989-February 1990). The length of this trek will be approximately 1700 kilometres.

Expedition members (11 women in all) will conduct medical, biological, and meteorological research.

All this work is being carried out in accordance with a resolution by the All-Union Central Trade Union Secretariat. The All-Union Council for the Trade Unions' Voluntary Physical Cultural and Sports Society acted as coordinator for the expedition and was responsible for its preparation and realization.

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