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Kazakh leader tempts foreigners with ice and frost

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ASTANA (Reuters) - Freezing weather may have brought misery to Europe, but for Kazakhstan it is a selling point.

President Nursultan Nazarbayev, in an annual speech on Tuesday, said more diplomats should move to his country's icy capital, Astana, to enjoy its extreme weather.

"Well today it's only -30 C (-22 F). It only strengthens our spirit," Nazarbayev, in power for 20 years, told diplomats at his lavish marble-and-turquoise presidential palace. ([περισσότερα...](#))