MOSCOW - A flotilla of Russian warships is now the centerpiece of the Severnaya Verf shipyard on the Neva river in St. Petersburg. The news comes via videolink that the Kuznetsov aircraft carrier, which was repaired in the shipyard, will be commissioned by Russian navy. Mindef also said on state television that the Kuznetsov aircraft carrier said via videolink that the vessel has travelled to the Mediterranean and will be deployed near the Syrian coast in the biggest naval task force. The Kuznetsov, the most modern capital ship of the Russian Navy, has been serviced in St. Petersburg since last winter. It was first put into combat service in 1995, when it carried out a bombing campaign in the Gulf of Sirte, in support of President Muammar Gaddafi's forces against the coalition. The range of aircraft on board includes the Su-33, Su-25, MiG-29K Fulcrums, and the Su-27K Knights. The carrier is a highly versatile warship, capable of carrying out both air and sea operations, and is equipped with modern weapons system.