

Rights in Russia

Week-ending Friday 6 July 2018

Human rights activists; lawyers

- Magomed Mutsolgov* On 30/6 investigators searched the home of rights activist Magomed Mutsolgov in Ingushetia. (RFE/RL, 30/6)
- Mark Galperin* On 2/7 Moscow City Court upheld a 2-year suspended sentence given to civil activist Mark Galperin. (RAPSI, 2/7)
- Yury Dmitriev* On 3/7 authorities formally indicted historian Yury Dmitriev on a charge of sexual assault. (RFE/RL, 3/7)
- Oyub Titiev* On 4/7 the Prosecutor General's Office ordered the Prosecutor of Chechnya to review the investigation into Oyub Titiev, charged with illegal possession of drugs. (RAPSI, 4/7)
- On 5/7 the Chechen Supreme Court ruled Oyub Titiev's case must be heard in Chechnya. (Caucasian Knot, 5/7)
- Kemal Kushcheterov* On 5/7 lawyer Kemal Kushcheterov, beaten during a search in Cherkessk, said police threatened him. (Caucasian Knot, 4/7; 6/7)

Freedom of expression

- "Yarovaya" laws* On 1/7 most requirements of the so-called Yarovaya package of laws on user correspondence came into force. (TASS, 1/7)
- RFE/RL* On 5/7 a Moscow court fined RFE/RL 100,000 roubles under "foreign agent" legislation. (RFE/RL, 5/7)

Right of assembly

- Police beat fan* On 1/7 police were caught on camera beating a fan who jumped on the hood of a patrol van. (The Moscow Times, 2/7)
- Police detain protesters* On 4/7 a teenage activist was among four detained after she staged a protest in St. Petersburg. (RFE/RL, 4/7)

Prison

- Jail time* On 3/7 a bill was signed into law equating a day on remand to 1.5 days in a prison colony. (The Moscow Times, 4/7)

Ukraine / Crimea

- Nariman Memedeminov* On 30/6 lawyer Emil Kurbedinov condemned the incarceration in a psychiatric clinic of Crimean Tatar civic journalist Nariman Memedeminov. (Human Rights in Ukraine, 5/7)
- Pavel Grib* On 4/7 reports said Ukrainian Pavel Grib accused of terrorism had been beaten and mistreated. (Caucasian Knot, 4/7)
- Oleg Sentsov* On 5/7 Natalya Kaplan visited her cousin Oleg Sentsov, who is on hunger strike in prison. (Human Rights in Ukraine, 6/7)
- Volodymyr Balukh* On 5/7 jailed Crimean activist Volodymyr Balukh, currently on hunger strike, was jailed for five years for allegedly assaulting a prison officer. (RFE/RL, 5/7; The Moscow Times, 6/7)

Council of Europe

- Russian funding* On 4/7 the MFA said there are no grounds for renewing Russia's contributions to the Council of Europe as the powers of the Russian parliamentarians have not been restored. (TASS, 4/7)

