

V.Redkin's Appeal to Human Rights Commissioners

Vadim Redkin sent an appeal to human rights commissioners through Grigory Mikhnov-Vaytenko from Novosibirsk's Temporary Detention Centre.

We publish it here in the author's spelling:

Dear Krasnoyarsk Commissioner for Human Rights M.G.Denisov, Federal Representative for Human Rights under the President of Russia, legal institutions!

I, Redkin Vadim Vyacheslavovich, born in 1958, inform you about law violations against me.

On 22.09.2020 at about 8 a.m. I was detained in my house in the Abode of Dawn by a group of armed men in uniform and masks, who jumped out of helicopters, without presenting any certificates and orders from their side.

When they led me (handcuffed) out of the house I was rudely and unexpectedly knocked to the floor in the doorway by two men (I felt nauseous and dizzy), one of these guys twisted my handcuffed hands to great pain (hematoma recorded later in Novosibirsk by a traumatologist) and my hand unlocked my personal smartphone, which he had seized earlier.

When we together with the spiritual Teacher Vissarion (Torop S.A., born in 1961) and Vladimir Olegovich Vedernikov (born in 1963) were taken from Abakan to Novosibirsk City Department 5 of the Investigator, my lawyer was not allowed to me, although he had been waiting for 2 hours at the Department and the investigator knew about it. Subsequently I found out that my friends had been treated in the same way.

Neither in Abakan (airport) during interrogation by investigator of the 5th Division Metelev K.Y., nor in Novosibirsk during interrogation by investigator Frolov A.S. was I allowed to make one telephone call, though this rule was announced to me by the investigator.

On 23.09.20 the court ordered me (and each of us separately) to be placed under arrest for 2 months. Although I informed the court that:

I have never been tried, I have never been a suspect, accused or witness in the case (part 1, article 239 of the Criminal Code) during 2 years of investigative measures on the territory of the community,

I have never dodged or absconded from investigation measures started against me.

I live in a taiga zone, in the Abode of the Dawn; I make my living from the land, the taiga, and I have a family - a wife and three little daughters (2, 8, 11 years old). Without me it is very difficult, almost impossible to run the household, where the garden is not fully harvested, the cranberry is not gathered in the swamps, the pine nuts are not harvested, and the house is not prepared for winter... My absence is a threat to their lives and health.

Being a vegetarian for 30 years, I once had tuberculosis with the collapse of one lung. My body and lungs in the conditions of the detention centre are under strain from the lack of the usual diet and from my cellmates smoking (I've never smoked);

I am not a danger to those 2 people (Mizgirev and Kistersky) from whose statements the Teacher and I are detained and who, judging by their statements, allegedly fear for their lives if we are released. I do not know Mizgirev and I have seen Kistersky many years ago, and I do not know where these people live and where they are now. That's why I can't imagine how I (we) can pose a danger to their lives;

I cannot go abroad as I have no such plans, moreover, the borders are closed because of the coronavirus and my passport has been confiscated.

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