

URGENT ACTION

DETAINEE FACES TORTURE IN RUSSIA

A detainee in a temporary detention facility on the territory of Russian prison colony no. 14, whose anonymity has to be preserved for security reasons, has complained of numerous incidents of beating and rape to extort his confession. These complaints have not been effectively investigated and he remains in danger of further abuse.

The concerned detainee has been held in a temporary detention facility on the territory of prison colony no.14 (abbreviation in Russian: *ФКУ ИК-14 ГУФСИН* - FKU IK-14 GUF SIN) since April 2014. He alleges that during this time he has been subjected to several attacks and incidents of torture. An investigation into his allegations was only initiated in June 2014, but to date has not yielded any meaningful results. Soon after his first complaint, the detainee was subjected to at least two more incidents of torture in an attempt to force him to withdraw the complaint. The safety and security of the concerned individual remains a serious concern. His anonymity has to be preserved for this reason.

The concerned individual was placed in detention as a suspect in a criminal case in April 2014. According to his statements, he was initially subjected to torture in the form of beating and rape to extort his confession. He was reportedly not examined by doctors and did not receive medical care following the attack. On 10 June the detainee reported the attack and ill-treatment to the members of the Public Monitoring Commission, a group of representatives from civil society organizations monitoring places of detention in Russia. Following their formal intervention he was reportedly subjected to at least two more incidents of torture, which included beatings, strangulation, pouring of cold water and rape, in order to force him to withdraw his complaint. He alleges that the attacks on him were perpetrated by other inmates, but with the assistance and instigation of the prison administration.

Amnesty International has received information that no adequate measures have been undertaken by authorities to ensure the detainee's personal safety and security; to the contrary, he and his lawyer have reportedly been harassed by prison authorities.

Please write immediately in Russian, English or your own language calling on the Russian authorities:

- To ensure safety and security of the male detainee held at temporary detention facility at FKU IK-14 GUF SIN since April 2014 who has complained of torture and ill-treatment;
- To ensure that he has an immediate access to adequate medical care and medical examination;
- To ensure a prompt, impartial and effective investigation into his allegations of attacks and torture.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS BEFORE 21 AUGUST 2014 TO:

Director of the Federal Penitentiary Service (FSIN)

Genadiy A. Korniyenko
GSP-1, 14 Zhitnaya street
119991 Moscow
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Fax +7 495 982-19-50
Electronic appeals via website (in Russian only):
<http://фсин.рф/obrat/index.php>

Salutation: Dear Director of the Federal Penitentiary Service

Chairman of the Investigative Committee

Aleksandr Ivanovich Bastrykin
Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation,
Tekhnicheskii pereulok, d.2
105005 Moscow, Russian Federation
Fax: +7 499 265 9077

Salutation: Dear Chairman

And copies to:

Prosecutor General

Yurii Ya. Chaika
15 A, Bolshaia Dmitrovka street
125993 Moscow
Russian Federation
Fax: +7 495 692 17 25
Email: prgenproc@gov.ru

Salutation: Dear Prosecutor-General

Also send copies to diplomatic representatives accredited to your country. Please insert local diplomatic addresses below:

Name Address 1 Address 2 Address 3 Fax Fax number Email Email address Salutation Salutation

Please check with your section office if sending appeals after the above date.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The concerned individual remains in detention as a suspect in a criminal case since April 2014. He alleges that he was placed in that particular detention facility in order to extort his confession. The temporary detention facility FKU IK-14 GUF SIN where he was placed is supposed to be isolated from the prison colony (Penitentiary colony no. 14) on the territory of which it is located. However, based on the report of the detainee concerned, the attacks were perpetrated by the inmates of this colony and instigated or instructed by members of the prison administration.

According to the concerned detainee's statements, he was initially subjected to torture in the form of beating and rape to extort his confession. He was not receiving medical care and was not subjected to medical examination following the attack. Following threats from the investigator he initially declined legal aid.

The detainee is represented by a lawyer provided by a human rights group. They submitted his case to the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR). In late June 2014 the ECtHR has indicated to the Russian authorities under Rule 39 of the Rules of the Court to ensure the detainee's safety and independent medical examination.

As of 7 July the concerned individual remains in the same detention facility under the same conditions. No measures have been taken to ensure his safety and security and he remains at risk of further attacks and ill-treatment.

Name: Anonymous

Gender m/f: m

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