

## Rights in Russia Week-ending 9 February 2024

Russia's war on Ukraine	<p>There are fears that Russia's systemic programme to "re-educate" Ukrainian children could prove devastatingly effective. (<a href="#">The Guardian</a>, 4/2/24)</p> <p>FIDH said it regrets the ICJ's failure to address broader implications of Russia's actions against Ukraine. (<a href="#">FIDH</a>, 6/2/24; <a href="#">The Guardian</a>, 6/2/24)</p> <p>Oleg Orlov has been declared a "foreign agent" with three other Memorial members. (<a href="#">FIDH</a>, 6/2/24; <a href="#">Front Line Defenders</a>, 6/2/24; <a href="#">HRW</a>, 5/2/24)</p> <p>Around 20 journalists were arrested for a few hours on 3 February 2024 while covering a protest near the Kremlin by the wives of men mobilised to fight in Ukraine. (<a href="#">RSF</a>, 3/2/24; <a href="#">Amnesty International</a>, 5/2/24)</p> <p>A St. Petersburg military court <u>sentenced</u> Andrei Vasyurenko, a university student, to nine years in prison for making public calls to join the Ukrainian army and for Karelia to secede from Russia. (<a href="#">The Moscow Times</a>, 7/2/24)</p> <p>Nadezhda Rossinskaya who heads the Army of Beauties campaign, was <u>arrested</u> on Feb. 1 on charges of "publicly calling for activity against the Russian state's security." (<a href="#">The Moscow Times</a>, 6/2/24)</p> <p>A Moscow court has ordered the arrest in absentia of Boris Akunin over his criticism of Russia's war against Ukraine. (<a href="#">The Moscow Times</a>, 6/2/24)</p> <p>Russian concert promoters have received an expanded list of musicians banned from performing in the country. (<a href="#">The Moscow Times</a>, 8/2/24)</p>
Media	<p>Russian authorities must immediately drop all charges against journalist Denis Kamalyagin, editor-in-chief of Pskovskaya Guberniya, and stop harassing exiled members of the press, the CPT said. (<a href="#">CPJ</a>, 6/2/24)</p> <p>Yandex, once dubbed Russia's Google for becoming the country's dominant online will exit Russia entirely, selling its assets there in a deeply discounted \$5.2 billion deal that marks the end of an era. (<a href="#">RFE/RL</a>, 5/2/24)</p> <p>Authorities in Novokuznetsk forcibly placed activist and blogger Igor Gorlanov in a psychiatric clinic on unspecified grounds. (<a href="#">RFE/RL</a>, 5/2/24)</p>
Torture	<p>Tahirjon Bakiev, an inmate with Central Asian roots tortured in a Siberian penitentiary has been found dead in a penal colony. (<a href="#">RFE/RL</a>, 6/2/24)</p> <p>The wife of imprisoned rights defender Bakhrom Khamroyev says her husband was severely beaten in detention. (<a href="#">RFE/RL</a>, 8/2/24)</p>
'Ext-remism'	<p>Noted Siberian artist Vasily Slonov was detained on February 8 on a charge of demonstrating extremist symbols. (<a href="#">RFE/RL</a>, 7/2/24)</p> <p>Rosfinmonitoring on February 9 added jailed opposition activist Sergei Udaltsov to its list of terrorists, meaning that all of his assets in Russia will be frozen. (<a href="#">RFE/RL</a>, 9/2/24)</p> <p>Investigative Committee head Aleksandr Bastrykin said that 430 cases of extremism went to court in 2023, 62% more than 2022." (<a href="#">RFE/RL</a>, 6/2/24)</p>
'Elections'	<p>Russian election authorities on Thursday <u>disqualified</u> pro-peace presidential hopeful Boris Nadezhdin from the March election over alleged errors in his endorsement signatures. (<a href="#">The Moscow Times</a>, 8/2/24; <a href="#">The Guardian</a>, 8/2/24; <a href="#">The Moscow Times</a>, 5/2/24.</p>

