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Mr Ibragimov,

As a Czech Member of the European Parliament, I would like to raise with you the cases of Mr Stanislav Klykh and Mr Mykola Karpyuk. Mr Klykh and Mr Karpyuk, detainees in a detention facility headed by you, are Ukrainian citizens sentenced for respectively 22 and 20 years in prison for actions they allegedly committed.

Therefore, I am addressing you not only to raise my opposition to the highly politicized, unlawfully sentences made by the Russian authorities, but also as a reaction to the extremely worrying information on Mr Klykh's and Mr Karpyuk's bad health condition, and the lack of the medical assistance from your side.

Moreover, according to the publicly available information, throughout their detention, Mr Klykh and Mr Karpyuk have suffered from multiple acts of torture. In this context, I would like to remind you that as a head of a detention facility, it is you who is directly responsible for any human rights abuses at your facility. It is your personal responsibility to ensure that detainees do not face any mental or physical abuse or degrading and ill-treatment, and are provided with the necessary health aid.

As a strong supporter of personal sanctions lists adopted by the European Union, I have been following closely the developments linked to the Russian aggression in Ukraine, including by monitoring the cases of the Ukrainian citizens unlawfully detained, tried and imprisoned in Russia, together with people responsible for it. I would, therefore, appreciate if you could provide me with adequate information on the current state of health of Mr Klykh and Mr Karpyuk and ensure that their rights in detention are being fully respected, in accordance to the international public law and Russian obligations.

Sincerely

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