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Member of the European Parliament

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Dear Mr. Ibragimov Seytemin Seyd-Akhmedovich,

I am writing to you as a Member of the European Parliament, deeply concerned about the condition of **Mykola Karpyuk** and **Stanislav Klykh**, both Ukrainian citizens who are currently being detained in your institution, throughout court proceedings, facing the risk of life-imprisonment sentences.

Mr. Mykola Karpyuk and Mr. Stanislav Klykh are reported to have suffered torture and inhumane treatment during their detention, and being held in isolation for prolonged periods, and are being held illegally. Both were falsely accused of crimes committed in Chechniya in the 1990s.

It has been reported that the trial has been regularly postponed, without due notice, thus provoking high expenses for the family members of the accused, making it effectively impossible for them to attend the court hearings due to lack of necessary funds for repeated travels to and from the Chechen Republic.

I am writing to urge you to guarantee Mr. Karpyuk and Mr. Klykh's well-being, provide them with humane and considerate detention conditions, as well as medical treatment, visitation rights by NGOs, contact with loved ones, and legal representation.

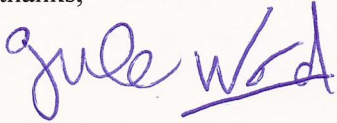
Such humane treatment, including access to health care, healthy diet, and education material, is in line with international human rights norms, particularly Council of Europe rules and guidelines on conditions of prisoners, to which Russia is committed. As the prison warden, ensuring such dignified and humane treatment, and especially access to health care, is your direct individual responsibility.

Both prisoners are part of a group of Ukrainian citizens who were unlawfully detained by Russian forces in Ukraine, falsely accused of war crimes, terrorism, or other offences, and then subjected to torture, and fabricated show-trials.

International organisations and politicians such as myself are deeply concerned about these unlawful arrests. We are following these prisoners' situation closely, and are working to secure their release.

I would like to ask you for assurances that **Mr. Mykola Karpyuk and Mr. Stanislav Klykh** are being treated humanely, and being provided with the medical treatment, contact with loved ones, and legal representation as he requires. I also kindly ask you to inform me and other concerned Members of the European Parliament of Mr. Karpyuk and Mr. Klych's current condition.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie Ward". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

Julie Ward MEP