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Poseł na Sejm  
Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej

Marcin Świącicki  
Member of the Polish Parliament

Minister of Justice of the Republic of Estonia  
His Excellency Urmas Reinsalu

Dear Mr Minister,

I am writing in relation to situation of a Russian citizen Mr Pavel Zabelin, who obtained an asylum in Estonia on 30<sup>th</sup> of August 2007. As Russia reopened on 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2015 Mikhail Khodorkovsky's case, in which it seeks to support its claim that the famous dissident was "guilty of serious crimes", there are signals of emerging threat to the colleagues and associates of Mr Khodorkovsky in relation to this new developments. History of persecution of Pavel Zabelin in this regards, as well as of his family and associates, is well known to the Estonian authorities since his case was being examined when he applied for asylum, as well as when Hajru County Court rejected his extradition to Russia on 27<sup>th</sup> of February 2008.

Due to my best knowledge, Mr. Zabelin's life and personal safety might again be put at risk as Russia is giving a high priority to mobilise support to its version of Khodorkovsky's story – also by looking for ways to bring "witnesses" to the court. Therefore, I call on the Estonian authorities to pay special attention to Mr Pavel Zabelin's safety in Estonia and other countries.

I would also like to ask you to consider writing to the Commission for the Control of the Interpol's Files to have his name taken out from the Red Notice list, where he was enlisted after Russia's request when persecuted in relation to Khodorkovsky's case.

Sincerely,

