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## **Lilia Chanyшева**

Dear Prosecutor,

Political activist Lilia Chanyшева was arrested on 9 November 2021 and put in pretrial detention the next day on charges of "establishing or leading an extremist association" for her role as former regional coordinator of "Navalny's headquarters" in Ufa.

On 16 May 2022, the Moscow city court declined the appeal from Lilia's lawyers to remove her from pretrial detention and into home arrest. Since the start of her detention, officers of the Investigative Committee and the Federal Penal Service have barred, under false pretext, four lawyers from representing and visiting Lilia Chanyшева in detention. As a result, she has been left without a lawyer of her choice, in violation of her right to a fair trial. In addition to that, the authorities continue to refuse her family access to her.

As Lilia Chanyшева has not committed any internationally recognisable crime, I would like to urge you to ensure that Lilia Chanyшева is released immediately and that all charges against her are dropped.

Sincerely,