## **RUSSIA: WAR CENSORSHIP LAWS**

## To: Igor Viktorovich Krasnov, Prosecutor General

## Tatyana Nikolayevna Moskalkova, Commissioner for Human Rights

One week after the start of the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, Russian authorities introduced a special set of laws that made opposing Russia's war in Ukraine a crime.

These laws introduced prison sentences of up to 15 years for spreading "fake news" and up to seven years for "discrediting" the Russian army. Many in Russia are now serving unjust prison sentences because of these laws.

Peaceful protest and freedom of expression are human rights. We call on you to repeal Articles 207.3 and 280.3 of the Criminal Code and ensure the immediate and unconditional release of all those deprived of their liberty solely for peacefully protesting the war.

Yours sincerely,

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