

Stop reprisals against the dissent in Russia and free Vladimir Kara-Murza and all political prisoners in Russia

The Congress of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Party convening in Stockholm, Sweden on 26-28 May 2023:

Noting:

- Escalating repression against all those standing for peace in Russia and those refusing to enrol in Russia's "military operation" in Ukraine, and intimidation of Russian citizens coupled with fierce and aggressive propaganda;
- Turning of the judiciary into a machinery for reprisals, imprisonment and large fines for all speaking up for peace, closure or enlisting NGOs and dissenting media as "foreign agents" and "undesirable organisations" which makes their functioning impossible;
- An unprecedented cruel sentence of 25 years in a strict penal colony for opposition politician and journalist Vladimir Kara-Murza, winner of the Vaclav Havel award and LI Prize for Freedom, who is a survivor of two attempts on his life with poison and currently suffers from their consequences, which turns imprisonment into a death sentence for him.

States:

- ALDE considers persecution of Kara-Murza politically motivated, demands the sentence be overturned and Kara-Murza immediately released;
- Qualified medical care must be provided to Kara-Murza immediately and unconditionally, medical aid outside the RF inclusive.

Calls on:

- The international community, the UN, the EU, international organisations and people of free will to demand from the Russian authorities to release Vladimir Kara-Murza and other Russian political prisoners, and stop repression against the dissent in Russia.

Resolution:

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