

Prosecutor General of the Republic of Belarus
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Dear Prosecutor General,

Please correct a profound injustice. No evidence connects teen-ager Mikita Zalatarou with any violence. He was swept into a crowd of protesters while waiting for a friend.

Sixteen year old Mikita Zalatarou was kept locked up for six months before his trial. During that time he was subject to beatings, electric shocks, and interrogation without having a lawyer or responsible adult present. No evidence was presented that he participated in violence. Still he was convicted of mass disorder and using illegal explosives and sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

Please do everything you can to see that he is released and receives a fair trial that meets international standards of justice for children.

Sincerely,