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LOCKED UP AND SILENCED FOR STANDING FOR PEACE**

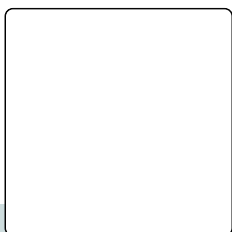
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Mark Kislitsyn loves books, poetry, and stargazing. In his letters from prison, he writes about reading *The Glass Bead Game* by Hermann Hesse and the “scent of marigolds touched by frost” in Siberia, where he is held. Despite the numbing cold and long days in isolation, Mark remains hopeful - finding strength in letters, in nature, and in his belief that he is “on the right side of history.”

A transgender man and human-rights defender from Moscow, Mark was sentenced to 12 years in a penal colony for “high treason” after donating around AUD \$10 to what he believed was a humanitarian fund supporting people affected by the war in Ukraine. Russian authorities accused him of financing Ukraine’s armed forces — a false claim used to silence critics of the war.

Mark’s only “crime” was standing for peace and equality. Now, he is imprisoned more than 3,000 kilometres from home in a women’s penal colony, denied gender-affirming medical care, forced to wear women’s clothing, and repeatedly placed in solitary confinement. His courage and resilience have made him a symbol of resistance against repression in Russia, where anti-LGBTI+ laws and anti-war voices are being brutally crushed.

Mark should be free. His imprisonment is a stark violation of his human rights — and a chilling warning to anyone who dares to speak out against injustice.

Demand Mark’s immediate and unconditional release now.

WRITE TO THE AUTHORITIES

Call on Russian authorities to immediately and unconditionally release Mark Kislitsyn, quash his conviction, and ensure that while in detention he is protected from harassment and provided with necessary medical care.

ADDRESS: Prosecutor General of the
Russian Federation
Igor Viktorovich Krasnov
Prosecutor General’s Office
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125993 Moscow GSP-3
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SALUTATION: Dear Prosecutor General

HASHTAGS: Tag the Russian Embassy or the
Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
(MFA) on X (Twitter): @MFA_Russia

SHOW MARK THAT HE IS NOT ALONE

Send Mark messages of hope to show he’s not alone in his fight for peace and dignity. He loves books, poetry, and his dog Jaina - add quotes, stars, or nature drawings to remind him of freedom beyond prison walls.

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