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President Putin,
Prime Minister Medvedev,

I am writing to express my deep concern about the situation of anti-nuclear activists in Belarus. I have learned that Tatiana Novikova, anti-nuclear campaign coordinator, and Andrei Ozharovsky, Russian nuclear physicist, and two other activists have been arrested by the Belarusian police. Three of them were sentenced to several days' imprisonment for having "cursed swearing in a public place". The fourth was ordered to pay a fine of 1,500,000 Rubels.

I condemn the politically-motivated persecution of any members of civil society, and of this specific case concerning anti-nuclear activists in Belarus, and urge you to immediately interfere in order to secure their release.

Yours sincerely,

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