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In behandeling bij
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Dear Prosecutor General,

We are writing to express our concern about the detention of Anastasia Shevchenko, a prominent human rights defender of the Open Russia movement. She has been accused of “repeated participation in the activities of an undesirable organization” under article 284.1 of the Russian Criminal Code. She has been under house arrest since 23 January 2019 and may face up to six years in prison if convicted.

By prosecuting Anastasia Shevchenko for her participation in the peaceful activities of a public association, the Russian authorities are in violation of both their obligations under international human rights law as well as the Russian Constitution which guarantees the right to freedom of expression and association.

For this reason, we call on the Russian authorities to immediately and unconditionally release Anastasia Shevchenko from house arrest and to end her criminal prosecution.

Thank you for your time. We are kindly awaiting your reply.

The Municipal Council of Oosterhout, the Netherlands,

, town-clerk.

, mayor.