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**Subject: Relief from Persecution and the Release of Jehovah's Witnesses from Captivity
In Russia and the Territories Occupied by Russia in Ukraine**

Dear President Putin:

This writing is humbly presented in positive light of which to cure the dismal situation involving the continual persecution and treatment of Jehovah's Witnesses by the Russian Federation for **Relief from Persecution by the Russian Federation and the Release of Jehovah's' Witnesses from Captivity in Russia and the Territories Occupied by Russia in Ukraine** and within all its territorial jurisdictions.

Earth Month was founded on Saturday April 4, 1970, as the full month of April is Earth Month. Earth Month Network, Inc. (EMN) is a legal entity nonprofit, NGO located in Maricopa, Arizona USA that operates the affairs for Earth Month. These include but are not limited to: Environmental Awareness, Activism, Stewardship, Wildlife Conservation, much like 'Days of Protection from Environmental Dangers' in Russia¹ and Education, Environmental and Social Justice, Civil, Constitutional and **Human Rights** on a global basis.

The mission, work, and success of EMN are non-political and based upon the oldest book of law, history, prophesy and science; that being the Holy Bible. I too, have based my life course and conduct upon the Holy Bible and teachings of Jesus Christ, and therefore a longtime Christian as one of Jehovah's Witnesses.

The Russian Federation Russian Federation legally registered Jehovah's Witnesses December 11, 1992, and registered again in 1999 under the Law on Freedom of Conscience and Religious

¹ Days of Protection from Environmental Dangers 2026, In the Russian Federation
<https://zapovednik-khakassky.ru/en/>

Associations. On March 15, 2017, the Ministry of Justice in Russia filed a claim with the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation seeking “to declare the religious organization, the Administrative Center of Jehovah’s Witnesses, extremist, ban its activity, and liquidate it.” This negative action by the Supreme Court went into effect April 5, 2017.

However, the decision by the Supreme Court in favor of this claim came to fruition on April 5, 2017, and had unjust and dire consequences for all of Jehovah’s Witnesses in Russia. The Administrative Center and 404 local legal entities were dissolved. This also meant that the branch property in St. Petersburg and Kingdom Halls throughout the country were seized by the State.

In addition, each of the more than 175,000 Witnesses were then and now at risk of being arrested, abused, and criminally prosecuted, merely for meeting for worship, reading the Bible together, or talking to others on an individual basis about their faith. As of this writing, the Russian Federation and its territorial jurisdictions have gone against the peaceful Jehovah’s Witnesses and currently have 171 men and women unlawfully imprisoned, many with serious health concerns. ²

On June 13, 2017, you yourself pinned a medal the “Family Glory Award” or “The Order of Parental Glory” upon one of my spiritual Brothers *Valeriy Novik* while his wife, my spiritual Sister *Tatyana* received a flower bouquet. According to your office this award is given to “model families” that are exemplary in terms of education, athletics, and a healthy lifestyle. Their family with eight children is in fact representative of Jehovah’s Witnesses in Russia as well as around the world for a healthy lifestyle. ³ This was after the seizure of the Witnesses assets.

On December 11, 2017, at a meeting of the Council for the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights, which was held at the Kremlin with many human rights activists being present, the question was posed to you on the inclusion of Jehovah's Witnesses in the list of extremist organizations.

Your response:

“This is complete nonsense; we need to carefully deal with this.” The corresponding question “Should at some point, be much more liberal... Equally treat representatives of all religions. [They shouldn't] enroll in some kind of destructive, let alone terrorist organizations.” ⁴

The meeting continued with Human rights activist Ekaterina Shulman drawing attention to the problem. She pointed out that in the official "List of terrorists and extremists "the majority are 404 organizations of Jehovah's Witnesses.” “They certainly do not call for violence and do not carry it out,” the human rights activist said.

² List of Jehovah’s Witnesses held in captivity by The Russian Federation March 1, 2026.
file:///C:/Users/jwask/Downloads/1014757_E_cnt_003.pdf

³ Family Glory Award, by Robert Coalson, Radio Free Europe, June 13, 2017 at <https://www.rferl.org/a/russia-jehovah-s-witness-family-award-extremistputin/28546976.html>

⁴ Council for the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights, December 11, 2017
<http://kremlin.ru/events/president/news/59374>

In response, President Vladimir Putin said:

“Regarding the Jehovah's Witnesses. Probably, we can, and even should at some point, be much more liberal towards representatives of various religious sects, but we must not forget that our society does not as Orthodox Christians.

We have three more practically traditional our religions, which the consist exclusively of religious sects. 90 percent or so of the citizens of the Russian Federation identify themselves state provides assistance. We must treat representatives of all religions equally – this is true, but still, we must also take into account the country and the society in which we live. True, this does not mean at all that we should include representatives of religious communities in some kind of destructive, not even terrorist organizations. Of course, this is complete nonsense, we need to carefully look into this, here I agree with you.”

A little later, the President again returned to the topic of persecution of Jehovah's Witnesses: "**Jehovah's Witnesses are also Christians, and I don't really understand why they should be persecuted either.**" [emphasis added]

Russia's "Federal law on Extremist Activity" was originally intended to help stop terrorist. When amended, the long arm of said law became overreaching as a dragnet to include certain religious activities. Russia's "Federal Law on Extremist Activity" is being misapplied to Jehovah's Witnesses in Russia. Jehovah's Witnesses strive to be good citizens, much like when you pinned the medal on Valeriy Novik on June 13, 2017. We are known worldwide for our peaceful activities, non-political, non-combatant, pay taxes, protects the environment, have model families and lead a healthy lifestyle, morally clean, chaste and just; and under no circumstances would we ever resort to any activity that could legitimately be construed as "extremist" or criminal.

In fact, Jehovah's Witness have great respect for government. The Apostle Paul wrote "Let every person be in subjection to the superior authorities, for there is no authority except by God; the existing authorities stand placed in their relative positions by God". *Romans 13.1,2*. This also means that the superior authorities or in this case Russian Federation stands in place to its relative position only by the grace of God, Jehovah. Does this not deem respect for the State?

The activities of Jehovah's Witnesses and the publications that are produce encourage love of God and neighbor, love for family, and respect for government. There is absolutely nothing "extremist" or criminal in such Bible-based publications. The pamphlet entitled Jehovah's Witnesses in Russia has excerpts by: Dr. Sergei Ivanenko, a Russian religion scholar, Academician N. S. Gor dienko, professor of religious studies, Lyudmila Alekseeva, chairman of the Moscow Helsinki Group. ⁵

⁵ Jehovah's Witnesses in Russia A Theologian's Viewpoint, Awake Magazine August 22, 1997, pp 22-27. <https://wol.jw.org/en/wol/d/r1/lp-e/101997607#h=6>

Additionally, in the book *Religions of the Nations of Modern Russia*, released under the editorship of Miran Petrovich Mchedlov, Chairman of the Expert Council for Conducting State Expert Religious Studies With the Ministry of Justice of the Russian Federation, the following is noted: “The Authorities are considered by Jehovah’s Witnesses as an arrangement that is permitted to exist by God. They do not take part in conflicts with the law. They respect order and obedience to the law.”—1999, page 463.

The Administrative Center and Jehovah’s organization was a legal entity registered with the Russian Federation and registered again in 1999 under the Law on Freedom of Conscience and Religious Associations. There are not any missionaries that come to Russia and the organization is not known to practice so-called missionary activities in Russia. Jehovah’s Witnesses do not preach from a pulpit; they are known as proclaimers of God’s Kingdom. Jehovah’s Witnesses do not proselytize.

It is understandable that there may be confusion with your authorities about the definition and meaning of both terms 1. Missionaries and 2. Proselytizing, equally of which are not part of our valuable work that was performed in Russia. The opposite is performed, that is, Jehovah’s Witness loving takes the interest of others first and allow individuals to freely adhere their individual profession of personal faith without pressure.

After researching several dictionary sources in Russian and writings from Russia the meaning of those terms are the same as in English. As such, Jehovah’s Witnesses do not have missionaries that go to Russia, and most certainly do not proselytize. That would most certainly be unkind and unscriptural.

From the Bibles view, one must make the truth their own and no one is forced or coerced to do anything against their will. It is a personal matter much like the Psalmist David stated: “Make me know your own ways, O Jehovah; Teach me your own paths. Make me walk in your truth and teach me, For you are my God of salvation. In you I have hoped all day long.” [*Psalms. 25:4, 5.*](#) David begged for it. In essence, an individual would need to ask and to be receptive.

As a point of history, the utilization of God’s personal name has been made use of throughout Russia for centuries prior to the Watchtower and Bible Tract Society taking on the Name of Jehovah’s Witnesses in 1931. “YOU are my witnesses,” is the utterance of Jehovah, “even my servant whom I have chosen, in order that YOU may know and have faith in me, and that YOU may understand that I am the same One. Before me there was no God formed, and after me there continued to be none. I—I am Jehovah, and besides me there is no savior.” [*Isaiah 43: 10-12.*](#)

This is evident from usage of the divine name by the Russian Orthodox Church in its chant-*Alleluia*, as a Liturgical Function, it acts as a joyful exclamation of praise ("Praise God") and a greeting before the reading of the Gospel. Mr. President, this you are personally familiar with as a member of the Church. The meaning is the same in every language which translates to *Praise Jah*. Jah is the short version of Jehovah from the original Hebrew. The meaning of Jehovah is ‘*He causes to become*’ as the creator of all things.

A careful reading of the Bible will show that Jehovah is the personal name of Almighty God, the Creator of the universe. In the Synodal translation of the Russian Bible 1876, [Exodus 15:3](#) says about God: “Jehovah is His name.” (See also [Exodus 33:19](#).) The name Jehovah appears several thousand times in the Hebrew Scriptures of the Bible, which were translated into Russian in the first half of the 19th century by Orthodox priest Archimandrite Makarios. The 1825 Russian Bible Society Octateuch, edited by Gerasim Pavsky, contains the name Jehovah over 700 times.

Many religious buildings and others that are centuries old have inscriptions of Jehovah’s name on them. Some are represented in Russian as **Иероба** or a similar form or that of the Hebrew **YHWH** from the (tetragrammaton) יהוה. This being the fact, Russia and its religions have been utilizing Jehovah God’s personal name long before it was adopted by Jehovah’s Witnesses and is still humbly utilized by those religions in Russia today.

Yet, with all due respect Mr. President, the State government and local governments go against the peaceful Jehovah’s Witnesses...persecuting them, planting false evidence, prosecuting them, imprisoning, abusing and torturing them for the exercise of religious rights secured by Russian law and international law. This is found to be a direct and compounded violation of individual and organizational Human Rights, protected under The Preamble of the Russian Constitution and contravenes such Constitutional guaranties, to wit:⁶

Chapter 1 Fundamentals of the Constitutional

System Article 6 [Citizenship] Sec. 1, 2 and 3.

Article 13 [Political Plurality] Sec. 1, 2, 4, and 5.

Article 14 [Secularity of the State] Sec. 1 and **2 [Religious association]**.

Article 15 [Supreme Law] Sec. 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Chapter 2 Rights and Liberties of Man and Citizen

Article 17 [Basic Rights and Liberties] Sec. 1, 2 and 3

Article 18 [Direct Effect Justice]

Article 19 [Equality] Sec. 1, 2, and **3 [Religion]**

Article 21 [Human Dignity] Sec. 1 and **2 [Torture & violence]**

Article 22 [Personal Freedom] Sec. 1 and 2

Article 23 [Privacy] Sec. 1 and 2.

Article 25 [Home]

Article 26 [National Identity, Native Language] Sec. 2.

Article 28 [Belief, Religion] **Everyone shall be guaranteed the freedom of conscience, the freedom of religion, including the right to profess individually or together with other any religion or to profess no religion at all, to freely choose, possess and disseminate religious and other views and act according to them.**

Article 29 [Expression] Sec. 1, 2 **The propaganda or agitation instigating social, racial, national or *religious hatred and strife* shall not be allowed. The propaganda of social, racial, national, religious or linguistic supremacy shall be banned.**

3 No one may be forced to express his views and convictions or to reject them.

⁶ Russian Constitution: <http://www.constitution.ru/en/10003000-01.htm>

Article 30 [Association] Sec. 1.
Article 31 [Assembly]
Article 33 [Petitions]
Article 35 [Private Property] Sec. 1, 2 and 3.
Article 36 [Land Ownership] Sec. 1.
Article 43 [Education] 1, 4 and 5.
Article 44 [Arts, Sciences, Culture] Sec. 1, 2 and 3.
Article 45 [State Protection] Sec. 1 and 2.
Article 46 [Legal Protection] Sec. 1, 2 and 3. **Everyone shall have the right to appeal, according to international treaties of the Russian Federation, to international bodies for the protection of human rights and freedoms, if all the existing internal state means of legal protection have been exhausted.**
Article 47 [Access to the Courts] Sec. 1 and 2.
Article 49 [**Innocence**] Sec. 1, 2 and 3.
Article 50 [Ne Bis In Idem] Sec. 1, 2. and 3.
Article 55 [Fundamental, Human Rights and Freedoms]

Such action by government agents to create false charges is in violative of ‘*the clean hands doctrine*’ is a violation of the aforementioned Constitutional Rights, and such agents are also in violation of the criminal Code of The Russian Federation themselves and subject to punishment and fines:

Article 127. Illegal Deprivation of Liberty
Article 129. Slander
Article 130. Insult

Chapter 19 Crimes Against the Constitutional Rights and Freedoms of Man and Citizen:

Article 136. Violation of the Equality of Human and Civil Rights and Freedoms: Sec. 1 and 2.
Article 137. Invasion of Personal Privacy: Sec. 1 and 2.
Article 148. **Obstruction of the Exercise of the Right of Liberty of Conscience and Religious Liberty.**
Article 149. **Obstruction of the Holding of a Meeting, Assembly, Demonstration, Procession, or Picketing, or of Participation in the aforesaid.**
Article 158. Theft: Sec. 1 and 3.
Article 163. Extortion: Sec. 1 and 3.
Article 167. Willful Destruction or Damage of Property: Sec. 1.
Article 282. Incitement of National, Racial, or **Religious Enmity**: Sec. 1 and 2.

Chapter 30 Crimes against State Power and the Interests of the Civil Service Chapter and the Service in Local-Self-Government Bodies.

Article 285. Abuse of Official Powers: Sec 1.
Article 286. Exceeding Official Powers. Sec. 1.

Most assuredly and compounding are the violations contained in the United Nations Universal Declaration on Human Rights Articles 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, **18, 19, 20, 28.**⁷

On June 7, 2022, the European Court on Human Rights in the case of *Taganrog Loro and Others v. Russia* was notarized in Russia. **The CtHR has issued a landmark ruling in favor of Jehovah's Witnesses, ruling that their persecution in Russia is illegal throughout Russia.**^{8 9}

On Tuesday March 14, 2023, the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation overturned the acquittal of *Aleksandr Priyanikov* and *Venera* and *Darya Dulova* and sent the case back for another consideration at the appellate instance.

In January 2020, the Karpinsk City Court of the Sverdlovsk Region gave believers suspended sentences ranging from one to two and a half years. The appellate court overturned the verdict due to violation of the principle of transparency and sent the case back for a new trial. The second verdict duplicated the previous court decision, but it was also appealed. In March 2022, the Sverdlovsk Regional Court found the believers *not guilty* of extremism. This happened shortly after the Plenum of the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation clarified that the worship services of Jehovah's Witnesses do not in themselves constitute a crime under Article 282.2 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation, despite the liquidation of the believers' legal entities.

Why did the Supreme Court take such action? Mr. President, it was on December 10, 2017, that you issued new instructions to the high court to prepare explanations regarding the generalization of court practices within the Russian Federation with cases involving alleged violations of legislation on religious associations.^{10 11}

The Plenum of the Supreme Court on October 28, 2021, ruled, **“joint worship of Jehovah's Witnesses, their rites, and ceremonies do not constitute a crime under Article 282.2 of the Russian Criminal Code, despite the liquidation of the religion's legal entities”**. Clarification of this Ruling is directed by *judge-rapporteur Elena Peysikova* in the presented Russian video.¹²

⁷ United Nations Universal Declaration on Human Rights

⁸ English: Ruling by the European Court on Human Rights, June 2, 2017, JW website : https://jw-russia.org/docs/206/220607_CASE_OF_TAGANROG_LRO_AND_OTHERS_v_RUSSIA-EN.pdf

⁹ Press Release, European Court on Human Rights, Multiple violations in case brought by Jehovah's Witnesses in Russia, June 2, 2017.

<file:///C:/Users/jwask/Downloads/Judgment%20Taganrog%20LRO%20and%20Others%20v.%20Russia%20-%20Multiple%20violations%20in%20case%20brought%20by%20Jehovah%E2%80%99s%20Witnesses%20in%20Russia.pdf>

¹⁰ English List of instructions following the meeting of the Council for the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights, December 10, 2017, <http://kremlin.ru/acts/assignments/orders/64952>

¹¹ Russian List of Instructions following the meeting of the Council for the development of Civil Society and Human Rights December 10, 2017, <http://kremlin.ru/acts/assignments/orders/64952>

¹² Video: judge-rapporteur Elena Peysikova Clarifying Article 282.2 of the Russian Criminal Code, October 28, 2021. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4IwoQxqBoZQ&t=992s>

The Court had not only taken in your instructions to the Plenum but had followed through with their explanation and decision of Article 282.2 of the Criminal Code and further held to its clarification in the case ruled upon on October 28, 2021, just as you ordered. This decision is final and binding upon all law enforcement, justice divisions and prosecutors acting under the Russian Federation and her Constitutional provision for civil, constitutional and human rights.

This literally means that the Russian Supreme Court recognizes its role in protecting religious freedoms and human rights and had expressed that the lower Courts follow suit. This is in accord with your questions posed since December of 2017 and as well as the ruling from the European Court on Human Rights in June of 2022.

This leaves us now with the continual dismal situation occurring with Jehovah's Witnesses throughout the Russian Federation, additionally, reports have come in that Jehovah's Witnesses as non-combatants in exercise of their religious freedoms in the territories occupied by Russia in Crimea Ukraine, and other oblasts are also suffering oppressive acts, persecution violence, torture, criminal proceedings against them without lawful cause, being held captive in prisons and penal colonies. Even women are being accosted and arrested more frequently.

It is most unfortunate and discernably evident that due to the increase and continuation of negative actions perpetrated against Jehovah's Witnesses that the Decision and relevant explanation by the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation is being completely ignored in violation of the Courts Ruling and the Russian Constitution, by:

Law Enforcement:

1. Precinct Officers (Uchastkovy)
2. Patrol Police (PPS)
3. District/City Departments (UVD/OVD)
4. Regional Directorates (GU MVD/UMVD)
5. Ministry of Internal Affairs (MVD) Central Headquarters
6. National Guard of Russia (Rosgvardiya),
7. Investigative Committee (SKRF)
8. Federal Security Service (FSB)
9. And the newer Centre for Counteracting Extremism (Center "E")

Judiciary:

1. Magistrate courts
2. Regional courts
3. District courts
4. Appellate courts
5. Cassation courts

Prosecutors Offices of each jurisdiction and district of unknown numbers are also included.

As such, these entities through collusion have knowingly, intentionally, with purpose, plan, preparation and intent, willfully continue to take negative actions in violation of the Supreme Court's decision in that Jehovah's Witnesses are not an extremist organization pursuant to the court's decision supported by Article 126 of the Russian Constitution, meaning that the aforementioned are in contempt. The final ruling by judge-rapporteur Elena Peysikova was made October 28, 2021, there is no reason to present the matter before the Supreme Court Justices.

As of March 1, 2026, there are at least 171 men and women currently held by the Russian Federation in Russia.¹³ and the territories of Ukraine with a significant increase each year. The Federation has nine different law enforcement agencies that are tactically united in the suppression of rights of Jehovah's Witnesses that are secured by your Constitution. Mr. President, why is this?

In hindsight, has any police officer local or federal government official every sat down and spoke peaceably with Jehovah's Witnesses representatives? Have you ever gone to a meeting at a Kingdom Hall? Have you ever attended a convention or the observation of the Memorial of Jesus Christ's Death? Have you requested a tour of the Branch Office in St. Petersburg or that of the new World Headquarters in the United States? Why not? They would be more than glad to accommodate you. By not doing so, it creates enmity, strife, animosity, biases and prejudice without reasonable or lawful cause. When we apply wisdom to this, these items have no place where a system is supposed to be equal fair and just... do they? Jehovah and Jesus Christ are just.

In retrospect, the tables were turned around, in that if negative actions against the Russian Orthodox Church were perpetrated in another country, just as they are being done against Jehovah's Witnesses, what would you think, feel and ultimately do? What actions would you then take? Religious freedoms are the most basic of freedom in every culture and society. No matter what, a nation that has constitutional protections in the exercise of freedom religion (FoRB) much like the Russian Federation has, and those protections are violated who is responsible? Such nation demonstrates lawlessness against itself and is no longer truly a free nation for the people.

We would like to express the hope that the Russian authorities will stop the unlawful actions being taken against the Witnesses in all forms within Russian and occupied territories of Ukraine, so that our brothers and sisters can continue to gather peacefully for Christian meetings without any impediments.

You are known to be a man that enjoys learning new things of a broad range. As a Russian Orthodox, you believe as Jehovah's Witness believe that Jesus Christ is the central being to one's faith. We do so much so that we follow his command to commemorate the memorial of his death...every year at sundown on Nisan 14. This year it falls on Thursday April 2, 2026. It is most unfortunate that due to the ban upon Jehovah's people, they cannot freely observe the Memorial commanded by Jesus to *"keep doing this in remembrance of me"* [Luke 22:19](#). This freedom is guaranteed by the Russian constitution as aforementioned.

¹³ Currently In Prison in Russia as of March 1, 2026, by the Russian Federation
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Along with this is a special talk delivered on Sunday March 29th entitled “Who Will Restore The Earth?” Sure that you would have deep appreciation for this talk as you have compelling concern and efforts towards the environment and ecosystems in Russia; as to ocean and fresh waters (Volga River, Lake Teletskoye, Lake Baikal), land preservation and nature reserves, preservation of wildlife (the Amur tiger, Amur leopard, Snow leopard, Kuzya tiger) Ecology National Project, Clean Air Program, your Foundation for Environmental Projects to NGO’s, Arctic Protection, Climate Action and Water Security.

Importantly the companion side to the physical restoration there is an important spiritual feature. Respectfully Mr. President, the earth has many people, organizations and governments that do not have respect for our creator God and his Son, Jesus Christ, and diminish the need and application of faith, all around the world. It is just as essential to life as the air we breathe and water we drink.

The Apostle John wrote in the book of Revelation at Rev: 11:18-c.... “and to bring ruin to those ruining the earth.” This verse is describing God’s view on how He detests the ruing of the physical and spiritual provisions he has provided for mankind since the beginning. This fine talk will explain the restoration of both the spiritual and physical earth to Jehovah God’s delight and purpose!

Humbly presenting you with the invitation to observe the Memorial of Jesus Christs death and for the special talk ¹⁴ ¹⁵ It can be arranged for you to attend with a compatible video conference platform by contacting the Branch office in the USA for prearrangements by Thursday March 26th for both the special talk and for the observation of the Memorial in Russian. @ 1-845 524 3500.

Mr. President, all your former questions and directions for clarification to the Supreme Court have been answered to you in full by those authorities. The pointed questions posed by individuals, groups, NGOs, and governments are:

1. Who is responsible for the continual negative actions against Jehovah’s Witnesses in the face or against the Supreme Court’s decision?
2. As President of The Russian Federation in accord with your oath in Article 82, will you exercise your authority in Article 90 Sec. 1, 2, and 3, issue the proper decrees and orders to resolve this Constitutional and Human Rights matter?

President Putin, we humbly petition the following:

1. Allow for delegation from The Watchtower Society to arrive to resolve matters.
2. That all police actions against Jehovah’s Witnesses cease and desist.
3. That all past, pending and future court actions criminal or civil cease and desist.
4. That all convictions against Jehovah’s Witnesses since April 5, 2017, be set aside and dismissed, so that the members be fully restored to their previous position without further molestation of rights.

¹⁴ Memorial Invitation in Russian with Videos <https://www.jw.org/rmy-x-rmv/>

¹⁵ Memorial Invitation in English <https://www.jw.org/en/jehovahs-witnesses/memorial/>

5. That all Jehovah's Witnesses held in custody by the Russian Federation in Russia and in Ukraine be released from captivity.
6. That all property seized of Jehovah's Witnesses be returned to them.
7. That pursuant to the Supreme Court's decision on October 28, 2021, that a decree or order issue as to Jehovah's Witnesses are not an extremist organization and their literature, materials and websites, etc. are not extremist, or criminal in nature.
8. That pursuant to Article 85 Sec 2 and Article 90 Sec 1, 2, and 3 of the Russian Constitution that as President a decree or order issue to fully restore, enforce and protect the Constitutional, Religious and Human Rights of Jehovah's Witnesses in Russia and Ukraine, and that the properties of the organization be returned.

Mr. President, as you have read this do not just hear me — truly listen and be moved to take positive action to rectify the situation for the Jehovah's Witnesses as citizens and people you faithfully are to serve of The Russian Federation as penned in your Constitution.

Thank you for your valuable time and serious consideration and positive actions in this important matter.

Respectfully yours,

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