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## Free Alexey Gaskarov!

As you may know, association gaskarov.info launched an appeal to an International Solidarity Action Week, June 17–23. Meanwhile you can help signing a petition in solidarity with Alexei Gaskarov and political prisoners of May 6 in Russia.

You will find the petition here.

#### http://en.gaskarov.info/post/51069831643

Please sign it! It may have an important impact on Russian authorities.

# Why your solidarity is needed?

Alexei Gaskarov, a Russian social activist and economist, was arrested in Moscow on April 27, 2013. Having gained fame as an anti-fascist, he has over the past two years become a visible young public politician thanks to his energy, intelligence, passion, and commitment.

Gaskarov has invested a great deal of time and energy in seeing that his hometown of Zhukovsky, in the Moscow Region, develops in a way that is responsive to the needs of ordinary citizens. To this end, he has continued the work he began during the campaigns to defend the Khimki and Tsagovsky forests by fostering grassroots civic groups. In March 2013, Gaskarov was elected to the alternative People's Council of Zhukovsky, thus receiving recognition from other residents of the town for his efforts.

Since December 2011, he has been actively engaged in the anti-Putin protest movement, appearing regularly in the media and at rallies and public discussions. In October 2012, he was elected to the Coordinating Council of the Russian opposition, where he has consistently pursued a grassroots social movement agenda.

Russian police cannot forgive Gaskarov for his pivotal role in social movements. They have charged Gaskarov with involvement in "riots" on May 6, 2012, at a permitted opposition march and rally on Bolotnaya Square in Moscow the day before Putin's inauguration. Apparently, the police are hoping this high-profile case will end in a long prison sentence for Gaskarov. Here you may read more about this case.

## Please, sign this petition and claim to free Alexei Gaskarov and the other May 6 prisoners.

If you feel you can afford to send some amount of money for legal expertise and defense, as well as for the needs of the public campaign, please note the PayPal account : dmitry.cw gmail.com

Watch for campaign news and updates (in Russian and several other languages) on our webs site,

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