

MOLDOVA: OPPOSITION & CIVIL SOCIETY ASK INTERNATIONAL INVOLVEMENT

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PETITION of Moldova's opposition and civil society groups and personalities

Chisinau, 10th of April, 2009

To: Council of Europe, OSCE, UN

On April 7, 2009, in the central part of Chisinau city, the capital of the Republic of Moldova, have gathered tens of thousands of protesters with a view to contest the results of parliamentary elections which took place two days earlier, there are many suspicions that these ones had been fraud.

While on the Great National Square held a peaceful meeting, groups of protesters have gathered in front of headquarters of the Presidency and the Parliament, then they get in and devastated them.

Both buildings were set on fire from inside, being in part destroyed. Police forces didn't intervene, but more, they left them early, leave buildings on hand of vandals.

They get into offices, although their doors were locked, they opened safes, impossible to open without knowing the code, the archives of the Parliament were destroyed, protected by special steel doors, they have climbed the roofs of both buildings, which is impossible without the help of administration and the security of Parliament and the Presidency. Please note that the attackers were well trained, wearing mask on their faces, and most of them were not so young.

The ruling Communist Party tries to make responsible of these acts of vandalism the opposition parties PLDM, PL, AMN- that became the parliamentary ones after last parliamentary elections, but also Romania, the EU state member, not presenting in this respect any plausible evidence.

We suppose that what happened in Chisinau on April 7 is a part of a plan of discrediting and eventually to exterminate from moral point of view the opposition and to move off the Republic of Moldova from the European vector and to establish a dictatorial regime.

Please send immediately in Moldova an international Commission of Investigation, which would help to elucidate fairly events which took place on 7 April 2009, the true reasons and subtexts.

1. Candidates in 2009 parliamentary elections

Seraphim URECHEANU, president of the Our Moldova Alliance Party

Vlad FILAT, president of Liberal Democratic Party of Moldova

Mihai GHIMPU, president of Liberal Party of Moldova

Anatol PETRENCU, president of social policy Movement European Action

Dumitru DIACOV, president of Democratic Party of Moldova

Dumitru BRAGHIS, president of Social Democratic Party of Moldova

Vasile TARLEV, president of the Centrist Union of Moldova

Ana TCACI, president of the Spiritual Development Party "United Moldova"

Natalia NIRCA, president of the Conservative Party

Ion CURTEAN, president of the Republican Party
Vladimir BRAGA, president of the Ecologist Party "Green Alliance" of Moldova
Nicolae UTICA, president of the Party 'For People and Country'
Sergiu BANARI, independent candidate, election 2009
Stefan URITU, independent candidate, election 2009
Valentina CUSNIR, independent candidate, election 2009

2. Civil society:

Nicolae DABIJA, president of the Democratic Forum of Romanians from Moldova, academician
Valeriu MATEI, president of the Anticommunist Popular Coalition 2009
Andrei VARTIC, the first Vice-President of the Democratic Forum of Romanians from Moldova
Mihai CIMPOI, president of the Writers Union, academician
Anatol CODRU, academician
Petru SOLTAN, academician
Valeriu SAHARNEANU, president of the Journalists Union
Ion UNGUREANU, ex-minister of Culture
Ion COSTAS, ex-minister of Defense
Constantin TANASE, director of publication Timpul
Val BUTNARU, director of publication Jurnal de Chisinau
Alexandru MOSANU, ex-president of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova
Aneta GROSU, The editor-in-chief of publication Ziarul de Garda
Alecua RENITA, president of the Ecologist Movement
Mihai PATRAS, master of economics
Valeriu DULGHERU, faculty chair, Technical University of Moldova
Mihai MORARAS, the editor in chief of the publication Universitatea
Sergiu CHIRCA, academician
Anatol CIOBANU, academician
Nina JOSU, president of the Association Astra
Constantin LAZAR, president of the Association of Romanian citizens
Gheorghe VITA, president of the Association Basarabia, Bucovina de Nord si Tinutul Herta
Ion NEGREI, vice-president of the Association of Historians
Timotei MELNIC, president of the Pedagogue League Archpriest
Ioan CIUNTU Archpriest
Petru BUBURUZ
Veaceslav TABULEAC, director of radio station Vocea Bessarabiei
Anatol CROITORU, vice-president of the Association Transnistria
Andrei COVRIG, president of the Association of Combatants
Ion GAINA, director of the House-Museum A.Mateevici
Ion JURJA, president of the participants in the Dniester Conflict
Tudor UNGUREANU, director of the Cultural Foundation Capriana
Valentina STURZA, president of the Association of Detainees and Deportees and Political Prisoners
Marcela MARDARE, director of the Publishing House Pontos
Anatol VIDRASCU, director of the Editorial Group Litera
Aurelian SILVESTRU, director of the lyceum Prometeu of Chisinau
Ion IOVCEV, director of the lyceum L.Blaga of Tiraspol (Transdnistria)
Andrei STRIMBEANU, writer
Eleonora CERCAVSCHI, director of the lyceum of Grigoriopol (Transdnistria)

Ion MAHU, academician, Republican Association of War Veterans of the Romanian Army
Elena DABIJA, director of the Mihai Eminescu Academic Center
Nicolae RUSU, director of the Writers Union Literary Fund
Ana CIBOTARU, president of the Cultural Society Plai Mioritic