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Nationalists 'Targeted' Rally

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Members of the banned ultranationalist Slavic Union were detained in Pskov on suspicion of planning a bomb attack during a liberal opposition rally last month, Interfax said Thursday.

Explosives, firearms and extremist literature were found in the possession of the unidentified suspects, who are alleged to have plotted to blow up an administration building during the opposition rally on Oct. 31.

The report gave no date for the arrests, and it was unclear why they failed to carry out their plan. The detainees face up to six years in prison on charges of illegal firearms possession.

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