

Bout's Wife to Sue Thailand

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BANGKOK, Thailand — The wife of suspected arms trafficker Viktor Bout said Monday that she would sue Thailand in an attempt to get him released from U.S. custody after Bangkok extradited him last week.

Alla Bout also said at a news conference in Bangkok that her husband would not cut a deal with U.S. authorities. He pleaded not guilty in New York last week on a conspiracy charge that alleges he illicitly traded arms to a terrorist group.

There has been speculation that Bout holds Russian intelligence he might exchange for leniency. Bout denies that, but Moscow strongly opposed his extradition. ☒

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