

# Guardian's Harding Back in Moscow

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A British journalist expelled from Russia earlier this month without any official explanation was allowed to return to the country on Sunday, Gazeta.ru [reported](#), citing the head of the Foreign Press Association of Moscow, Adib Al Sayed.

Luke Harding, The Guardian's correspondent in Russia, may also pick up his press card at the Foreign Ministry, Al Sayed said.

Harding, who worked in Russia since 2007, was stopped by border guards, a unit of the Federal Security Service, on arrival to Domodedovo Airport earlier this month.

He was briefly locked in a cell and then put on the next flight to London.

The Foreign Ministry denied involvement and said it did not know the reasons for the expulsion, which an anonymous law enforcement source said was ordered by an unidentified "Russian structure."

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