

Vkontakte User Charged

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An 18-year-old resident of the Marii-El republic was charged with extremism for creating a Vkontakte group promoting violence against police, news agencies reported Friday, citing rights group Agora.

Alexander Domrachyov called his group "Bash the Cops!!! Save Russia!!!" paraphrasing an old anti-Semitic slogan that listed Jews instead of law enforcement officers, and posted unspecified materials "fanning hate toward police," investigators said.

He faces four years in jail over the incident, the report said. No date for the hearing was set.

No group created by Domrachyov could be found on Vkontakte.ru over the weekend, but there were plenty of similarly titled groups on the network, which has more than 100 million registered users, Lenta.ru said.

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