

Nemtsov Detained

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Opposition leader Boris Nemtsov said he was detained by St. Petersburg police Monday after his car was attacked by egg-throwers.

Nemtsov said by telephone that his detention is "lawless" and said he had not been charged.

Nemtsov was also briefly detained Sunday and charged with illegal campaigning. He is campaigning against an attempt by St. Petersburg Governor Valentina Matviyenko to gain a municipal seat that would allow her to be eligible for the position of Federation Council speaker.

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