

Tymoshenko Verdict Awaited

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KIEV — The party of former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko said it expected to see thousands of her supporters rally Tuesday in front of the court where she is likely to be sentenced on abuse-of-office charges.

Oleksander Turchinov, deputy head of Tymoshenko's Batkivshchyna (Fatherland) party, called on its faithful to gather near the court Tuesday morning.

"They have no legal grounds for announcing anything other than a not-guilty verdict for Tymoshenko," he told reporters. "When they cross that border, we will react accordingly."

Judge Rodion Kireyev, who adjourned the trial last month until Oct. 11, is widely expected to deliver a verdict once it resumes, although he could announce a further delay. ■

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