

Tymoshenko Transferred

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KIEV — Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko has been transferred from prison to a local hospital with severe back pain.

Tymoshenko was taken to a hospital Friday. Her lawyer, Serhiy Vlasenko, said he believes that Tymoshenko was moved there against her will.

Tymoshenko's party said in a statement that the late-night transfer was in the "best traditions of totalitarianism."

Vlasenko said German doctors who examined Tymoshenko and inspected the hospital concluded that treatment there will not be effective.

"I have strong doubts that she agreed to being transferred," Vlasenko said. "Why would she agree to it if German doctors said her treatment there will not be effective?"

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