

Prosecutors: 20-Year-Old Bullet Found in Razvozzhayev's Back

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Doctors at the Siberian detention facility where opposition activist Leonid Razvozzhayev is being held discovered a 20-year-old bullet lodged in his back during an examination, Prosecutor General's Office spokeswoman Marina Gridneva said Friday.

Razvozzhayev had no complaints about the conditions he is being kept in, she said, but he called doctors' attention to a spot on his back where he was reportedly shot in 1992.

"In connection with this, in the medical section of the Irkutsk No 1. detention facility, an examination was conducted, during which a bullet was discovered in the area of the spine," she said in comments carried by RIA-Novosti.

"The presence of a foreign object in his body for 20 years, Razvozzhayev says, prevented him from adhering to any schedule that didn't allow him to use a bed in the daytime," Gridneva said.

The discovery comes on the same day that the Investigative Committee opened a fourth criminal case against Razvozzhayev, this time for knowingly giving investigators false information while being questioned over earlier accusations of plotting mass riots.

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