Protest Erupts Outside Dutch Embassy

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Police detained eight activists from the Other Russia movement Wednesday during an unsanctioned rally outside the Dutch Embassy.

In a flier, the protesters accused the Dutch government of being responsible for the death of fellow Other Russia activist Alexander Dolmatov, who last week committed suicide in an extradition cell at Rotterdam Airport after being [refused political asylum](#).

In a [video](#) on YouTube, participants are seen lighting flares and spilling a red liquid while others unfold a banner saying "Dolmatov's blood is on you" before being whisked away by police officers.

The eight were released later that day without signing police protocols, citing that more than three hours had passed since their detention, the Other Russia [said on Twitter](#).

Dolmatov fled to the Netherlands last year and applied for asylum because he feared persecution in the wake of the violence during the May 6 protest. His asylum request was

rejected in December, and he was brought to the extradition center despite the fact that his lawyer had filed an appeal.

The movement's leader, radical writer Eduard Limonov, suggested Wednesday that Dolmatov committed suicide after being questioned by Western intelligence agents. "They did not want to kill him but decided not to be kind with him because Russia won't come to his aid," he wrote on his blog.

Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov told reporters Wednesday that Moscow insisted on establishing the true causes of Dolmatov's death, Interfax reported.

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