

## Nationalists Plan Rally in Center of Moscow

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Russian nationalists have submitted a request to Moscow's City Hall to hold a rally in support of their fellow nationalists behind bars.

"This morning we submitted to the mayor's office an application to hold our annual rally 'Day of Support for Political Prisoners' on July 26, and it will be dedicated to all those nationalists who are in detention or who have been convicted," Dmitry Demushkin, leader of the nationalist association Russkiye (Russians) and former head of the banned Slavic Union, told Interfax on Tuesday.

According to Demushkin, event planners hope to feature a concert near the Ulitsa 1905 Goda metro station in northwestern Moscow. Organizers are counting on 500 people showing up.

Organizers also plan on picketing and collecting donations near the metro station in the week ahead of the rally, with the intention of giving the funds to "those who were convicted on political grounds," Demushkin said in comments carried by Interfax.

City Hall has yet to grant approval for the rally.

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