

Muscovites Gather Near Metro Station to Mourn Slain 4-Year Old Girl

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A woman brings flowers to commemorate the recently murdered child outside a residential building, where the child together with family members lived, in Moscow, Russia, March 1, 2016.

Several dozen Moscow residents gathered Tuesday evening near the Oktyabrskoye Pole metro station to mourn the death of a 4-year old girl allegedly killed by her nanny, the Interfax news agency reported.

People brought flowers to the site and some of them were crying, the news agency reported Tuesday.

People who came to mourn the murdered girl discussed why it took the police such a long time — about an hour — to detain the suspected murderer and the fact that Russian state-run television channels have not reported the incident, according to the RBC news website.

Some representatives of radical movements, including Dmitry Demushkin, former leader of

the disbanded Russkiye (Russians) nationalist association, were also at the makeshift memorial site.

Some of them demanded that strict measures be taken against migrants, Interfax reported.

People gathered near the site where a 38-year old Uzbek woman holding a severed child's head and shouting "Allahu Akbar" was detained on Monday.

The woman was identified as Gyulchekhra Bobokulova, who worked as the nanny of the murdered girl.

Earlier that day, the decapitated body of the child was found by firefighters in a burning apartment nearby. The nanny waited until all family members left, killed the child, set fire to the flat and fled, according to investigators.

Bobokulova was experiencing an acute mental disorder when she committed the crime, the TASS news agency reported, citing an unidentified source in law enforcement.

Bobokulova, a mother of three, confessed to the crime earlier this week. She said in court that Allah ordered her to kill the girl.

She also told journalists before a hearing that she did not intend to apologize to the child's parents, the TASS news agency reported Wednesday.

The court ordered that Bobokulova remain under arrest for two months. She will be officially charged with the crime on March 4, TASS reported.

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