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Brother of Russian Oppositioner Navalny Files Petition For Parole

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Oleg Navalny

Oleg Navalny — the brother of opposition leader Alexei Navalny — has filed a petition for parole, the Interfax news agency reported Thursday. He is currently serving a 3 ½ year prison sentence.

The petition will be considered on June 27, Navalny's lawyer Kirill Polozov said. However, Polozov said that he thinks it is unlikely that parole will be granted.

Navalny has unpaid penalties and the administration of the prison colony has given him an unfavorable report.

On Dec. 30, 2014 Oleg Navalny and his brother were found guilty of fraud and laundering funds of the French cosmetics firm Yves Rocher. Alexei Navalny a received three-year suspended sentence.

Navalny filed a complaint with the European Court of Human Rights, but no decision has been

taken by the court yet, the Meduza news website reported.

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