

Director of Navalny's Anti-Corruption Foundation Detained

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Roman Rubanov and Alexei Navalny / Navalny.com

Roman Rubanov, the director of opposition leader Alexei Navalny's Anti-Corruption Foundation, was detained outside his home on Tuesday morning, he wrote on Twitter.

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Задержан судебными приставами рано утром у подъезда дома. Доставляют на Бутырский вал. pic.twitter.com/no50JzhcTo

— Рубанов Роман (@rrubanov) [October 10, 2017](#)

The detention comes as Navalny himself is serving a 20-day jail term for repeated calls for

nationwide [demonstrations](#). His close ally Leonid Volkov, as well as regional campaign heads coordinating Navalny's contentious [presidential bid](#), have also been handed jail terms.

The warrant attached to Rubanov's tweet states that he is wanted for missing a 10-day deadline to remove excerpts of a YouTube [video](#) that accuse billionaire [Alisher Usmanov](#) of bribery.

A Moscow court [ruled](#) on Aug. 11 that Navalny's foundation was to remove the video clips containing allegations that Usmanov gave Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev an \$83-million mansion. Navalny and his team have stressed that they would not remove the excerpts.

Rubanov added in a later tweet that the bailiff vowed to put Navalny behind bars for his failure to remove the allegations against Usmanov. The bailiff's decision, he quotes her as saying, was "because I love Russia."

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Судебный пристав «клятвенно» пообещала Навальному уголовный срок за неисполнение решения суда по Усманову, «потому что люблю Россию».

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