

# Navalny Aide Jailed for 30 Days for Tweet

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Leonid Volkov **Evgeny Feldman** / [navalny.feldman.photo](https://navalny.feldman.photo)

Opposition leader Alexei Navalny's campaign manager Leonid Volkov has been sentenced to 30 days behind bars for tweeting a video.

Navalny has been barred from presidential elections in March due to embezzlement charges his supporters say are politically motivated. The anti-corruption campaigner was briefly detained on Thursday and charged with violating public assembly rules. He was released the same day pending a court hearing.

A Moscow court has found Volkov guilty of calling on people to participate in a protest calling for a boycott of the election on Jan. 28 in Moscow by tweeting a video of Navalny being detained in central Moscow and sharing a link to a live broadcast of the protest, the Interfax news agency [reports](#).

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*The tweet reads: The court ruling actually says that I organized a rally on Tverskaya on Jan. 28 by tweeting a video of Navalny being detained on Tverskaya on Jan. 28! Still waiting for the sentence (I'm still betting on 30 days, otherwise why bother?)*

Volkov is now due to be released after presidential elections on March 18.

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*The tweet reads: Arrest for 30 days, see, I was right. I'll see you on Mar. 24. Don't miss me.*

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