

# Russia Issues Arrest Warrant for Norwegian Ex-Politician

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Sandra Andersen Eira. **Sandra Andersen Eira / Facebook**

Russia has issued an arrest warrant for a former Norwegian politician who currently serves as a medic in the Ukrainian military, the state-run news agency TASS [reported](#) Tuesday, citing law enforcement agencies.

“Sandra Andersen Eira, a Norwegian woman from the International Legion of Ukraine, has been placed on an international wanted list as part of a criminal investigation into the participation of a mercenary in an armed conflict,” TASS’ source was quoted as saying.

Moscow’s Basmanny District Court [ruled](#) to place Eira in pre-trial detention in absentia for two months.

She is among nearly 400 people being sought as “foreign mercenaries” by Russia, according to an Interior Ministry database of wanted persons [obtained](#) by the independent news website Mediazona earlier this year.

Eira, who served in the representative body of the Sami people of Norway between 2017 and 2021, [enlisted](#) as a combat medic with the Ukrainian military shortly after Russia launched its full-scale invasion in February 2022.

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