

Vůdce běloruské opozice vidí známky možné mobilizace

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Ruské jednotky a technika nadále přicházejí do Běloruska, poznamenal Latushka.

Vůdce běloruské opozice říká, že běloruské úřady mohou brzy zahájit mobilizaci, aby poskytly vojenskou pomoc Rusku v jeho válce proti Ukrajině. Pavel Latushka, který sídlí ve Varšavě, 7. ledna řekl, že téměř vše je připraveno k mobilizaci. S odvoláním na zdroje v Minsku Latushka v rozhovoru s německými médii tvrdil, že většina zaměstnanců organizací pro vnitřní záležitosti byla nucena odevzdat své pasy, což jim v případě mobilizace znemožnilo opustit zemi. Latushka také na **Twitteru** zaznamenal nárůst ruského vojenského personálu a vybavení v Bělorusku. *Chcete-li si přečíst původní příběh ruské služby RFE/RL, **klikněte sem**.*

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Obžalovaný původem z Uzbekistánu je před soudem v roce 2017 zabití na cyklostezce v New Yorku



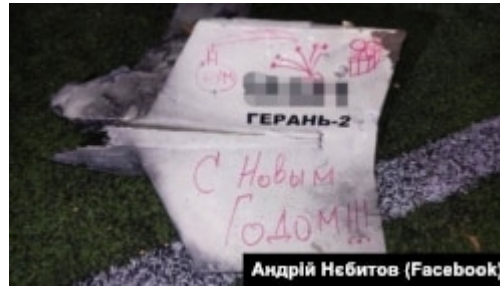
Sayfullo Saipov, podezřelý řidič, který 31. října 2017 zabil v New Yorku osm lidí.

Uzbecký emigrant obviněný ze zabití osmi lidí podél newyorské cyklostezky před pěti lety řekl agentovi FBI, že je hrdý na zkázu, kterou způsobil, a doufal, že zabije více lidí, řekl prokurátor 9. ledna na začátku tohoto muže. soud. Žalobce Alexander Li soudu řekl, že za útok z roku 2017 je odpovědný Sayfullo Saipov. Li řekl, že porotci uslyší, že Saipov doufal, že získá přízeň Islámského státu poté, co se legálně přistěhoval v roce 2010. Saipov, 34, vinu odmítl. V případě odsouzení by mohl čelit trestu smrti.

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U.S. Says Iran May Be 'Contributing' To War Crimes In Ukraine



The wreckage of an Iranian-made Shahed drone, launched by the Russian Army and featuring a "New Year's greeting" in Russian, which was shot down on New Year's Eve over Kyiv.

The United States said on January 9 that Iran's sale of lethal drones to Russia for use in its ongoing invasion of Ukraine means the country may be "contributing to widespread war crimes." While it did not signal a policy shift, the charge marked some of the sharpest U.S. rhetoric against Iran since it began providing weapons to Russia to support its nearly year-long war in Ukraine. National-security adviser Jake Sullivan made the statement as he spoke to reporters accompanying President Joe Biden on a trip to Mexico. *To read the original story from AP, click [here](#).*

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Members Of Russia Motorcycle Group Night Wolves Take Part In Republika Srpska Celebration Day



About 20 members of the Russian motorcycle club took part in the parade, walking with about 2,000 participants, including policemen and student representatives of the institutions of the Republika Srpska.

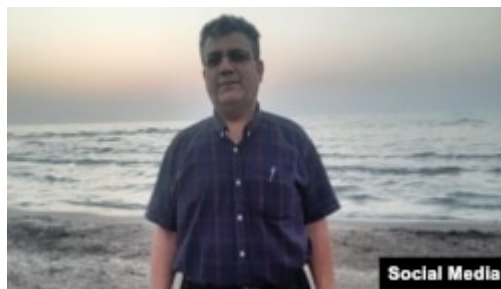
Members of the pro-Kremlin bikers club Night Wolves, known for their close ties with Russian President Vladimir Putin, took part on January 9 in a parade in Sarajevo to mark Republika Srpska Day.

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Iranian Lawyer Charged After Reporting Client Was Tortured



The activist HRANA news agency reported on January 8 that Ali Sharifzadeh Ardakani was released on bail after being summoned to a court in Karaj to hear the charges against him.

An Iranian lawyer who reported on the torture of his client by security agents has been charged for saying so publicly.

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Two Killed In Plane Crash In Russia's Far North



The Antonov An-2, a Soviet mass-produced single-engine biplane utility/agricultural aircraft designed and manufactured by the Antonov Design Bureau beginning in 1946

Two people were killed in a plane crash in Russia's Nenets Autonomous Region, north of the Arctic Circle, on January 9. Media reports quoted emergency officials as saying a private An-2 single-engine biplane crashed near the town of Karataika. There were 12 persons aboard, including two pilots. Accidents involving aging planes are common in Russia's Siberia and Far East. *To read the original story from RFE/RL's Russian Service, click [here](#).*

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Five Russian Citizens Stranded At Seoul Airport After Requests For Political Asylum Rejected



Russian recruits take a bus near a military recruitment center in Krasnodar, Russia, on September 25.

Five Russian citizens have been stranded at the Seoul airport after South Korean authorities rejected their requests for political asylum, local media reported on January 9. The five men fled Russia after they received conscription papers following Moscow's announcement of mobilization to the Kremlin's war in Ukraine. They say they do not want to go to the war and kill Ukrainians. They now are living at the airport while awaiting a court ruling on their appeals against the decision to refuse their asylum requests. *To read the original story from RFE/RL's Russian Service, click [here](#).*

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By RFE/RL's Georgian Service

U.S. Neurologist Tells Georgian Court Jailed Politician Saakashvili Is 'Seriously Ill'



As the hearing took place on January 9, dozens of Saakashvili's supporters rallied in front of the Tbilisi court demanding his immediate transfer to a Western hospital for treatment.

TBILISI -- A U.S. neurologist has told a court that jailed former Georgian President Mikheil Saakashvili is "seriously ill" and needs to be treated by professional physicians.

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Germany Summons Iran Envoy Over Protester Executions



A demonstrator holds portraits of Iranian protesters Mohsen Shekari, Mohammad Mehdi Karami, Mohammad Hosseini, and Majid Reza Rahnavard, who were executed in Iran, during a rally in Lyon, France, on January 8.

Germany summoned Iran's ambassador to Berlin on January 9 in protest of Tehran's bloody crackdown on demonstrations and the latest executions of anti-government protesters, Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock said. Baerbock told reporters the Iranian envoy had been called to her ministry "to make unmistakably clear that the brutal repression, the oppression, and the terrorizing of its own population as well as the most recent two executions will not remain without consequence." The executions have sparked global outrage and new Western sanctions against Tehran.

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Iran Sentences Three More To Death Over Protests



Saleh Mirhashemi, Majid Kazemi, and Yaghob Kordsofla were sentenced for "waging war against God" in their alleged role in the deaths of three Basij militia members during protests in the central Iranian city of Isfahan.

Three more Iranian protesters have been sentenced to death, bringing to 17 the number of people condemned to such a penalty in connection with protests triggered by the death in custody of Mahsa Amini following her arrest by Tehran's morality police for allegedly violating the hijab law.

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Navalny Says He's Been Sent To Solitary Confinement For Washing Himself Too Early



Aleksei Navalny

Imprisoned Russian opposition politician Aleksei Navalny says he has been placed in a punitive solitary confinement cell for the 10th time since August. This time, Navalny **said on his Telegram channel** on January 9, he was sent there for 15 days on December 31 for washing himself 36 minutes earlier than he was supposed to, which the penal colony's administration found to be "a serious violation of internal order." Navalny has called all of his placements in solitary confinement "politically motivated." *To read the original story from RFE/RL's Russian Service, **click here**.*

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By Current Time

Russian Investigative Committee Orders Probe Against Self-Exiled Actor Over His Ukraine War Comments



Artur Smolyaninov

The chief of Russia's Investigative Committee, Aleksandr Bastrykin, **has ordered** a probe launched against self-exiled actor Artur Smolyaninov over a recent interview he gave about Moscow's ongoing invasion of Ukraine. Bastrykin's move on January 9 comes days after Smolyaninov said in the interview with Novaya Gazeta.Evropa that if he was sent to the conflict by Russia, he would fight with Ukrainian armed forces instead. *To read the original story from Current Time, **click here**.*

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By RFE/RL's Idel.Realities

Court In Tatarstan Hands 19 Years In Prison To Hizb Ut-Tahrir Member

A court in Kazan, the capital of Russia's Republic of Tatarstan, has sentenced a man to 19 years in prison for being a member of the Hizb ut-Tahrir Islamic group. The court ruled on January 9 that Ruslan Ilyasov must stay in a cell for five years and serve the rest of his term in a penal colony. Hizb ut-Tahrir is a global organization based in London that seeks to unite all Muslim countries into an Islamic caliphate. Russia's Supreme Court banned the group in 2003, branding its supporters as "extremists." *To read the original story from RFE/RL's Idel.Realities, **click here**.*

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By RFE/RL's Belarus Service

Trial Begins Of Chief Editor, Former Director Of Belarusian News Website Tut.by



Lyudmila Chekina (left) and Maryna Zolatava in court in Minsk on January 9.

MINSK -- The trial of Maryna Zolatava, chief editor of Tut.by, once the largest independent online media outlet in Belarus, and its former director-general, Lyudmila Chekina, **has begun** on charges their supporters and human rights watchdogs call politically motivated.

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Ukrainian, Iranian Women Win Swedish Rights Prize



Iran's Narges Mohammadi is one of the recipients of this year's Olof Palme human rights prize.

Three women from Ukraine, Iran, and Turkey have won Sweden's Olof Palme human rights prize in 2023 for championing women's rights and freedoms. Marta Chumalo of Ukraine, Iran's Narges Mohammadi, and Eren Keskin of Turkey were honored for "their efforts in the fight to secure women's freedom, in an age when

human rights are threatened by war, violence and oppression," the Olof Palme Memorial Fund said in a statement. An award ceremony will be held in Stockholm on February 1.

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Belarusian 'Railway Guerrilla' Handed 13 Years In Prison



Russia has used Belarus's railway system to transport troops and equipment to Ukraine. (file photo)

MINSK -- A court in Minsk has sentenced a man to **13 years in a maximum security prison** after he was convicted of being part of a group involved in damaging railways to disrupt the supply of Russian arms and troops to Ukraine.

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By AP

Germany Garages Searched In Suspected Chemical Attack Plot By Two Iranian Brothers



A news crew's camera is seen outside a house in Castrop-Rauxel, western Germany, where police arrested one of two Iranian brothers on suspicion of "having prepared a serious act of violence threatening the security of the state."

German investigators on January 9 searched two garages used by an Iranian man arrested on suspicion that he could be planning an attack with deadly chemicals. The 32-year-old suspect and his 25-year-old brother were detained late on January 7 in Castrop-Rauxel, in western Germany, following a tip from U.S. security officials. Authorities say the men are suspected of planning a serious attack motivated by Islamic extremism, for which at least one of them had allegedly sought to obtain the potent toxins cyanide and ricin. *To read the original story by AP, click [here](#).*

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Authorities In Russia's Daghestan Interrogate Relatives Of Security Officer Who Defected



Former Russian security officer Emran Navruzbekov
(file photo)

Emran Navruzbekov, an ex-officer of the Federal Security Service (FSB) in Russia's North Caucasus region of Daghestan who defected to the European Union in 2017, told RFE/RL on January 9 that his relatives have been detained for questioning for a second time in recent days. Navruzbekov said his father, brothers, and mother-in-law were questioned regarding people he continues to be in contact with. Navruzbekov, who revealed FSB moves to follow Daghestani dissidents in Turkey in late December, says his relatives had nothing to do with his decision to defect. *To read the original story by RFE/RL's Caucasus.Realities, click [here](#).*

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Pope Denounces Iran Death Penalty Following Protests



Pope Francis (file photo)

Pope Francis has broken his silence on the nationwide protests convulsing Iran, denouncing the recourse to the death penalty there and seemingly legitimizing the rallies as demonstrations “demanding greater respect for the dignity of women.” Francis made the

comments on January 9 in an annual speech to ambassadors accredited to the Vatican. “The death penalty cannot be employed for a purported state justice, since it does not constitute a deterrent nor render justice to victims, but only fuels the thirst for vengeance,” he said. *To read the original story by AP, click [here](#).*

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Top Police Official In Tbilisi Shot Dead By Another Officer



The suspect, Giorgi Mgebrishvili, was arrested and placed in a detention center.
(file photo)

Aleksandr Shekeladze, chief of the police department's Main Directorate of Detectives in the Georgian capital, Tbilisi, has been shot dead by a police officer, local authorities said on January 9. The suspect, Giorgi Mgebrishvili, was arrested and placed in a detention center. According to officials, the incident took place over the weekend at Mgebrishvili's house. Investigators said earlier that a probe had been launched into the "premeditated murder" of Shekeladze. *To read the original story from RFE/RL's Echo of the Caucasus, [click here](#).*

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Law Enforcement Officers Abduct, Detain About Twenty Civilians In Russia's Chechnya



Chechnya's authoritarian leader, Ramzan Kadyrov, is frequently accused by human rights groups of overseeing grave rights abuses, including abductions, torture, and extrajudicial killings. (file photo)

Police in Russia's volatile North Caucasus region of Chechnya have abducted and arrested about 20 civilians in the village of Alkhan-Kala, sources close to law enforcement told RFE/RL on January 9, adding that the arrested men might face extremism charges.

Opposition Telegram channels 1ADAT and NIYSO published a list of those arrested. The region's authoritarian leader, Ramzan Kadyrov, is frequently accused by human rights groups of overseeing grave rights abuses, including abductions, torture, extrajudicial killings, and targeting the LGBT community. *To read the original story by RFE/RL's Caucasus.Realities, click [here](#).*

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Ship Carrying Ukraine Corn To China Runs Aground In Suez Canal

A cargo ship carrying more than 65,000 metric tons of corn from Ukraine to China ran aground in the Suez Canal early on January 9, according to ship tracker [Marine Traffic](#). Three tugboats have begun refloating the vessel, the MV Glory, which became grounded during bad weather. It was not clear whether traffic in the canal was

affected by the stranded ship. The MV Glory is a bulk carrier built in 2005. It sails under the flag of the Marshall Islands and is 225 meters long.

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Shelling In Ukraine's Eastern Luhansk Region Constant But Defenses Hold, Says Ukrainian Official



An aerial view shows a local market heavily damaged by a Russian missile strike in the town of Shevchenkove, Kharkiv region, on January 9.

Ukrainian officials say Russian forces launched new assaults in eastern Ukraine on January 9, hitting communities with constant shelling that killed civilians and destroyed homes even in towns that have been completely evacuated.

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Iran Sentences Three More To Death Over Protests



The latest sentences, which can still be appealed, bring to 17 the total number of people condemned to death in connection with the more than three months of protests.

Iran has sentenced to death three people accused of killing three members of the security forces during the protests triggered by the death of Mahsa Amini, the judiciary said on January 9. The latest sentences, which can still be appealed, bring to 17 the total number of people condemned to death in connection with the more than three months of protests. Four of those convicted have been executed, and two others are on death row after their sentences were upheld by the country's supreme court. *To read the original story from AFP, [click here](#).*

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Donors Pledge \$9 Billion For Pakistan's Flood Recovery



A girl sits on a cot as she crosses a flooded street in Balochistan Province on October 4.

Dozens of countries and international institutions have pledged more than \$9 billion to help Pakistan recover and rebuild following last year's devastating floods, which environmentalists and scientists blamed on climate change.

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Belarus And Russia To Conduct Joint Air Force Exercises



Belarus said all of the nation's air force bases, air force training grounds, and air defense forces would be activated for the exercises. (file photo)

Bělorusko a Rusko uspořádají od příštího týdne společné cvičení vzdušných sil kvůli rostoucím obavám, že by se Minsk mohl připojit k moskevské invazi na Ukrajinu. Spojenci uspořádají cvičení v Bělorusku od 15. ledna do 1. února, uvedlo běloruské ministerstvo obrany. Bělorusko uvedlo, že pro cvičení budou aktivovány všechny národní letecké základny, cvičiště letectva a síly protivzdušné obrany. Rusko již začalo posílat vybavení do Běloruska v rámci přípravy na společné cvičení vzdušných sil, uvedlo Bělorusko. *Chcete-li si přečíst původní příběh na běloruské službě RFE/RL, **[klikněte sem](#)**.*