

The civil society organizations express their concern about the violation of freedom and personal security

The civil society organizations have signed a public appeal expressing their concern about the conduct of the representatives of the police and prosecutors regarding the unjustified and illegal detentions and the submission of attempts groundless requests for preventive measures of arrest against people. The latest case which highlights the systemic problems is the detention of the activist Anatol Matasaru.

We recall that on 28th of January 2016, Anatol Matasaru conducted a protest action in front of the National Anti-corruption Center. On 29th of January 2016, without being summoned and contrary to the provisions of art. 166, 167 of the Criminal Procedure Code, he was detained at his domicile by 14 policemen in plainclothes, without notifying to him the reason and the grounds thereof. More details can be find in the [document](#).

This particular case and similar cases highlight the systemic problems in the area of enforcement of criminal procedural legislation and the provisions of art. 5 of the European Convention of Human Rights in the area of detention and arrest.

The signatories call on the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the General Police Inspectorate and the General Prosecutor's Office to undertake urgent measures in this case, specifically

by conducting duty investigations within each institution in the case of illegal detention of the activist Anatol Matasaru.

Furthermore, the institutions concerned must ensure that their employees are trained in the area of guaranteeing the right to liberty and security of person with regard to the application of deprivation of liberty measures.

The full text of the Appeal [here](#).

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