



Procedure file

Basic information		
RSP - Resolutions on topical subjects	2023/2693(RSP)	Procedure completed
Resolution on Belarus: the inhumane treatment and hospitalisation of prominent opposition leader Viktor Babaryka		
Subject 6.10.08 Fundamental freedoms, human rights, democracy in general		
Geographical area Belarus		

Key players	
European Parliament	

Key events			
10/05/2023	Debate in Parliament		
11/05/2023	Results of vote in Parliament		
11/05/2023	Decision by Parliament	T9-0199/2023	Summary
11/05/2023	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2023/2693(RSP)
Procedure type	RSP - Resolutions on topical subjects
Procedure subtype	Urgent debate or resolution
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 144-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway					
Motion for a resolution		B9-0250/2023	08/05/2023	EP	
Motion for a resolution		B9-0251/2023	08/05/2023	EP	
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Resolution on Belarus: the inhumane treatment and hospitalisation of prominent opposition leader Viktor Babaryka

The European Parliament adopted by 533 votes to 9, with 27 abstentions, a resolution on Belarus: the inhumane treatment and hospitalisation of prominent opposition leader Viktor Babaryka.

The text adopted in plenary was tabled by the EPP, S&D, Greens/EFA, ECR groups and Members.

As a reminder, in July 2021, former presidential candidate Viktor Babaryka was sentenced to 14 years in prison on politically motivated charges. His lawyers and family are being denied requests for information or contact with him.

Parliament urged the Belarusian authorities to immediately cease the mistreatment of Viktor Babaryka and other political prisoners, and to ensure proper medical assistance and access to lawyers, family, diplomats and international organisations so that they can assess their condition and provide aid. It called for the immediate and unconditional release of Viktor Babaryka and his son Eduard, alongside Mariya Kalesnikava, Maksim Znak, Siarhei Tsikhanouski, Pavel Seviarynets, Mikalai Statkevich, Raman Pratasevich, Andrzej Poczobut, Ales Bialiatski and all other political prisoners in Belarus.

The EU and its Member States are called on to:

- develop a targeted EU assistance programme to help victims of political repression, including by improving asylum procedures and providing temporary shelter in the EU for those seeking political refuge;
- expand and ensure the proper enforcement of EU sanctions against individuals and entities responsible for the repression in Belarus, including judges, prosecutors, law enforcement, prison and penal colony officials, and regime enablers;
- enforce sanctions against those responsible for the illegal deportation of Ukrainian children to Belarus.