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Dear Supporter,

Last week Tanya Lokshina shared her story with you—a story of intrusive, personal harassment by those inside Russia who would like to see her work to defend human rights stopped.

But Tanya didn't stop. When her office was picketed, when a swastika was painted on the door, when she was summoned for hours of government questioning—even when she received death threats texted to her cell phone—she continued.

Human Rights Watch is made up of men and women just like Tanya, who keep working to protect human dignity across the globe—often in the face of extreme pressure and retaliation.

Whether exposing horrific attacks against the LGBT community, protecting girls from being forced into child marriage, or demanding justice for the murders of local rights activists, the work of our researchers can seem long, hard, and at times, hopeless. But as Tanya says, "By our mere presence on the ground, by virtue of being there, we rein in the government. If we were not there, if we were not watching, the abuses would be much worse."

[Can you give today to support their work?](#)

We want to remind researchers like Tanya that they have a whole community of support at their back—a network of people just like you, who know that what they do is saving lives and making a difference.

Let them know you understand how vital their work truly is.

Let them know you've got their back.

Thank you,





A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ken Roth".

**Kenneth Roth**  
*Executive Director*

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