

Extremism Case Against Deputy Who Criticized Putin Dropped

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The case against a regional deputy who posted a [video](#) criticizing Vladimir Putin has been dropped, the Interfax news agency reported Wednesday.

A [criminal case](#) for inciting hatred or enmity was opened in April against Olga Li, who in March had published a video in which she strongly criticized Putin.

In the video, addressed directly to Putin, she said the president's actions had led to "the collapse of the Russian financial system and the rule of law" as well as making a host of other accusations against state officials.

Li's lawyer, Roman Lyzlov, told Interfax that the case had ended because Li's video message had been found to contain no extremist message.

Russia's investigative Committee had recognized Li's right to rehabilitation and would pay

her compensation in connection with the criminal investigation, Lyzlov said.

Li is however, still being investigated for slander against Putin, Lyzlov said.

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