



AMBASSADOR  
OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION  
TO THE USA

# 413

February 18, 2019

Dear Congressman Estes,

Thank you for your letter, dated February 13, 2019.

I share your great concern about the situation relating to a Russian citizen Ms.B.A.Osipova (Mobley) and her daughters.

Ms.Osipova returned to the U.S. in 2017 to address the American court and obtain custody over her children, but instead she was taken to prison. Since that time she has been kept in detention. She is subjected to rough and inhuman treatment. Such attitude toward Russian citizen cannot be regarded otherwise than discrimination and psychological pressure.

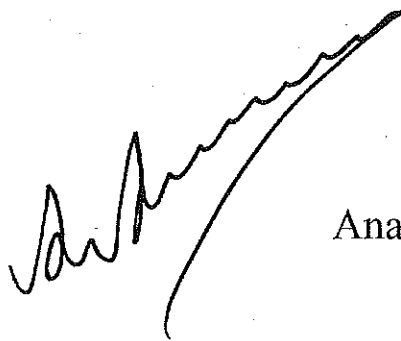
It is important to note that the Russian Court ruling concerning place of residence of the children in Russia was based on the best interests of the minors. The judicial power in the Russian Federation acts independently from the legislative and the executive authorities. It is established by the Constitution of the Russian Federation.

CONGRESSMAN RON ESTES  
CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Washington, DC

I hope that Ms.Osipova's case will be resolved as soon as possible and she will be released. A mutually accepted agreement between parents, not persecution, would meet the concerns of all parties. It's in order to protect children's well-being today and in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Antonov', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Anatoly I. Antonov