
BELARUS FREES POLITICAL PRISONERS IN EXCHANGE FOR EASING OF US SANCTIONS

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Dozens of political prisoners have been freed from Belarusian prisons as part of a deal between [Belarusian] leader Alexander Lukashenko and US President Donald Trump.

Fifty-two prisoners have been released, including trade union leaders, journalists and activists, but more than 1,000 political prisoners remain in jail.

In exchange, the US has said it will relieve some sanctions on Belarusian airline Belavia, allowing it to buy parts for its airplanes.

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