## <u>Foreign Secretary statement: Arrest of Alexey Navalny</u>

Press release

The Foreign Secretary has responded to the arrest of Alexey Navalny by the Russian authorities



It is appalling that Alexey Navalny, the victim of a despicable crime, has been detained by Russian authorities. He must be immediately released.

Rather than persecuting Mr Navalny Russia should explain how a chemical weapon came to be used on Russian soil.

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