Russia: FCO spokesperson statement in response to Moscow arrests

An FCO Spokesperson said:

We are concerned by the detention on 27 July of over a thousand protestors, including journalists and prominent opposition figures, a significant use of force during a peaceful demonstration in Moscow.

The Russian Government continues to disregard the rights of its people to freedoms of expression, association and peaceful assembly.

We call for the Russian Government to comply with its international commitments on human rights in the Council of Europe and the OSCE.