

Simple actions we can all do to support Maksim Popov

Maksim Popov is the victim of a unacceptable injustice and we want to do something about it.

You can read about Maksim's case here:

<http://cpj.org/blog/2010/03/uzbekistan-using-experts-to-silence-journalists-ac.php>

<http://enews.ferghana.ru/news.php?id=1588>

We are working on articles for TalkingDrugs in a number of different languages. They can be found here: <http://www.talkingdrugs.org/uzbek-hiv-activist-sentenced-to-7-years-imprisonment>

There is a huge amount of potential for broad global support for Maksim. Apart from showing solidarity with him and pressuring the Uzbek Government, there is a great opportunity to draw attention to the continuing pernicious rejection of measures to prevent the spread of HIV.

There are some simple actions we can all carry out to get this message out quickly and effectively:

- Please encouraged as many people as possible to become fans of the Maksim Popov Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Maksim-Popov/171053975896?v=wall> And post on the page , let's give the page lots of life and make sure it as noticeable on your Facebook wall as possible.
- If you blog about Maksim please link to the Facebook page
- If you tweet please use the hash tag #MaksimPopov and retweet everything on him.

Please distribute this information as widely as possible, obviously Maksim's story goes beyond harm reduction or drug policy reform, so please circulate this document and all the other information on Maksim to groups involved in campaigning on Freedom of Speech, HIV and prisoners of conscience.

If you are aware of anything the TalkingDrugs team could do to help Maksim please contact us on info@talkingdrugs.org

