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Dear Sirs,

Thank you for sending me and translating the decision issued by the Head of the Office for Foreigners refusing to grant asylum on the territory of the Republic of Poland to me and my little daughters. I have carefully read the arguments presented by the Polish authorities and fully understand their position. I don't want to ask for reconsideration of that decision. I do agree that while I'm staying in Poland I'm not facing any risks from Sweden and that I can also live in Russia, my home country.

I am very grateful to Poland for protecting me, Sofia, Alisa and Serafima from being separated by Swedish authorities. I am really happy that Polish prosecutors, courts and the Head of the Office for Foreigners noticed that the Kingdom of Sweden had violated international laws protecting family and the best interests of children. I am deeply grateful to have received help from so many wonderful citizens of your country. I and my daughters are very thankful to the officers of the Border Guard and Police, to Mr Mikołaj Pawlak, the Ombudsman for Children, and to ordinary Polish citizens for every instance of help which we have received in your wonderful country.

Babken and Bartosz – thank you very much for your professional legal assistance you offered to us from the very first moments in Poland, when you didn't let my daughters be separated from me at the airport. Thank you for the many sleepless nights and for fighting for my children's rights as well as for protecting me from being arrested by Swedish authorities. In addition to being wonderful lawyers, you are also very good people who have supported us materially and helped us to settle down in Poland.

I would like to thank Mr Jerzy Kwaśniewski, Esq. and the whole Ordo Iuris Institute which supported me in my fight to stay in Poland with my daughters. Thank you for your assistance and for spreading awareness of our difficult situation through the media. I want to express my sincere gratitude for the numerous support campaigns and material assistance we received thanks to your efforts.

In the new situation which I have found myself in I have to take a difficult but quite obvious decision to return to my country, Russia, with Sofia, Serafima and Alisa. I will forever remember the great support I received in Poland and will always see Poland as a country cherishing children and family rights and respecting the fundamental human rights. My little daughters are also very grateful to Poland and they will always remember your country as a haven which offered us safety we couldn't count on in Sweden.

Take care,

Denis Lisov with Alisa, Serafima and Sofia