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The Right to Freedom from Arbitrary or Unlawful Deprivation of Liberty, 2023 CanLII Docs 2033

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Activities at the UN this year

The Russian Federation's Systematic Restrictions and Repressive Actions Against Human Rights Lawyers. Joint written statement submitted by Lawyers' Rights Watch Canada, International Bar Association, Lawyers for Lawyers, non-governmental organizations in special consultative status. OVD-Info, NGO(s) without consultative status, also share the views expressed in this statement.

Submitted to the UN Human Rights Council on August 9th 2023.

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