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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Razom for Ukraine, a U.S. nonprofit providing medical and humanitarian aid to Ukraine and a leading advocate for continued U.S. assistance to Ukraine, released the following statement. This statement can be attributed to Dora Chomiak, CEO of Razom for Ukraine.

We are overjoyed to learn that after over a year of being held unjustly in Russian captivity, Ksenia Karelina has been released and is returning home to the United States. We extend our gratitude to President Donald Trump and his team for working to secure Karelina's release. President Trump has pledged that he will leave no American behind, and our team congratulates him for delivering on that promise today. We wish Karelina and her family strength and healing as they begin to recover from this harrowing ordeal. Razom has been in touch with U.S. authorities over the last year and we are heartened to know that this injustice is being righted.

The case against Ksenia Karelina was a farce from the moment of her detention. Peacefully demonstrating solidarity with the people of Ukraine is not a crime. Vladimir Putin imprisoned her for protesting against Russia's invasion and allegedly donating to help alleviate the suffering of Ukrainians. She was unconscionably jailed for over a year for exercising the same freedoms that every American citizen holds, and that all Ukrainians are fighting to keep. We're incredibly grateful that she is free—but the work will not end until all Americans and Ukrainians held unjustly in Russian captivity are released and Russia's ambitions to destroy and conquer Ukraine are defeated.

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For media inquiries or other questions, please contact Daniel Balson (daniel.balson@razom.org). Razom ("together" in Ukrainian) is a U.S.-based nonprofit dedicated to helping build a more secure, democratic and prosperous Ukraine. Razom has provided over \$188 million worth of medical and humanitarian aid since February 24, 2022. More information is available at RazomForUkraine.org.