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<p>Committee on Religious Affairs and Nationalities Gomel Regional Executive Committee</p>

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To: The Committee of the Gomel
Religious Community
of Jehovah's Witnesses

WARNING

On July 21 of the present year, within the framework of an inspection of the Gomel Religious Organization of Jehovah's Witnesses, representatives of the administration of the Zheleznodorozhny District of the City of Gomel, together with police officers on site at the address: 1st pereulok of Krupskaya, 22 (a private residence with property, not registered for [use by] a religious community) restrained an attempted mass religious event [being held] without the consent of the local executive and administrative authorities. At the moment of the inspection there were about 70 people in the home, including underage children, headed by the leader of the of the Gomel Religious Community of Jehovah's Witnesses Yuriy Nikolayevich Reshetnikov. These actions on the part of the religious community, entailed gross violations of the Laws of the Belarus Republic on Mass Events in the Republic of Belarus, and [the Law] on Freedom of Conscience and Religious Organizations. Consequent to this, police officers drew up a protocol under Article 23.34 (2) of the Code of Administrative Violations of the Belarus Republic. As a result, on August 12, 2009, the Zheleznodorozhny District Court of the City of Gomel pronounced Yu.N. Reshetnikov guilty of a legal violation in organizing an illegal mass event, for which he was subject to administrative punishment in the form of a fine in the amount of 30 basic units.

On the basis of the above, the Committee on Religious Affairs and Nationalities of the Gomel Regional Executive Committee is issuing a warning to the leadership of the Gomel Religious Community of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Chief of the Department

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The chairman of the committee of the Gomel Religious Community of Jehovah's Witnesses Yu.N. Reshetnikov has been familiarized with the warning. [initials]