

List of Political Prisoners in Accordance with the Council of Europe Criteria (PACE Resolution 1900 (2012))								
Under PACE Resolution 1900 (2012), any person deprived of his or her personal liberty is to be regarded as a "political prisoner" if he or she meets one or more of the following criteria:								
<i>(a) detention imposed in violation of fundamental guarantees in particular freedoms of thought, conscience and religion, expression, and assembly and association</i>								
<i>(b) detention has been imposed for purely political reasons without connection to any offence</i>								
<i>(c) length of the detention or its conditions are clearly out of proportion to the offence the person has been found guilty of or is suspected of</i>								
<i>(d) he or she is detained in a discriminatory manner as compared to other persons</i>								
<i>(e) detention is the result of clearly unfair proceedings and this appears to be connected with political motives</i>								
<u>Convicted Persons Currently In Detention</u>								
			PACE Resolution 1900 (2012) Criteria					
Name of Prisoner*	Convicted of	Sentenced to	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	
Mzia Amaglobeli	Violence against a police officer	2 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Elene Khoshtaria	Destruction of property	1.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Levan Khabeishvili	Public incitement to overthrow of government Sabotage	2.5 years in prison	✓					✓
Zviad Kuprava	Public incitement to overthrow of government	2.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bacho (Bachana) Akhalaia	Public incitement to overthrow of government	2.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓			✓
Nika Melia	Contempt of court	8 months in prison + 2-year ban on public office	✓		✓			✓
Irakli Okruashvili	Contempt of court	8 months in prison + 2-year ban on public office	✓		✓			✓
Giorgi Chikvaidze**	Embezzlement (civil dispute criminalised)	9 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Irakli Papiashvili**	Embezzlement (civil dispute criminalised)	8 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Paata Burchuladze	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Organizing and leading group violence Public incitement to overthrow of government	7 years in prison	✓		✓			✓

Nana Sanderi	Organizing and leading group violence Public incitement to overthrow of government	7 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Murtaz Zodelava	Same offences as Burchuladze	7 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Irakli Nadiradze	Same offences as Burchuladze	7 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Lasha Beridze	Same offences as Burchuladze	7 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Paata Manjgaladze	Organizing and leading group violence	7 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Zviad Tsetskhladze	Organizing and participating in group action	2.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vasil Kadzeshvili	Organizing and participating in group action	2.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vepkhia Kasradze	Organizing and participating in group action	2.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Zviad Ratiani	Violence against a police officer	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Anzor (Anri) Kvaratskhelia	Violence against a police officer	4.5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Giorgi Mindadze	Violence against a police officer	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Davit Lomidze	Violence against a police officer	4.5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Teimuraz Zasokhashvili	Violence against a police officer	4.5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Saba Jikia	Violence against a police officer	4.5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Anatoly Gigauri	Violence against a police officer	2 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Mate Devidze	Violence against a police officer	4.5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Giorgi Okmelashvili	Violence against a police officer	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Saba Skhvitaridze	Bodily harm (reclassified as minor)	2 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Phridon Bubuteishvili	Property damage Violence against a police officer	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Irakli Megvinetukhutsesi	Violence against a police officer	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Davit Koldari	Property damage	2 years 10 months in prison	✓		✓		✓
Guram Khutashvili	Property damage	3 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Daniel Mumladze	Property damage	3 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Archil Museliantz	Property damage	4 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Denis Kulanin	Property damage	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Davit Khomeriki	Preparing an explosion	4.5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Anton Chechin	Drug possession	8.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Anastasia Zinovkina	Drug possession	8.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Artem Gribuli	Drug possession	8.5 years in prison	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gela Khasaia	Bodily harm	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Zurab Menteshashvili	Blocking the road (recidivism, criminal offence)	9 months in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓

Gogi Chakhunashvili	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Abo Naveriani	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Davit Zhghenti	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Kakhaber Mzhavanadze	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Davit Sturua	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Konstantine Kokaia	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Zakro Albutashvili	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Zurab Chavchanidze	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Vladimer Gvelesiani	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Amiran Dolishvili	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Anton Vardanidze	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Aleksandre Chilachava	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Genadi Kupreishvili	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Sulkhan Tugushi	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Ramaz Mamuladze	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Manuchar Mikeladze	Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Tornike Mchedlishvili	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Nika Gventsadze	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Irakli Chkhvirkia	Attempted seizure of a strategic facility Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓

Guri Zhvania	Participating in group violence	5 years in prison	✓		✓		✓
Simon Makharadze	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Kakhaber Kvachantiradze	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Gia Toloraia	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Mikheil Toloraia	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Avtandil Topchishvili	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Iuri Lomidze	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Davit Giunashvili	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Giorgi Talakhadze	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Beka Machavariani	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Saba Kordzaia	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Giorgi Kirvalidze	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Koba Epitashvili	Participating in group violence	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Tamar Lortkipanidze	Violence against a police officer Attack on a police vehicle	1 year in prison + 3 years probation (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
Irakli Miminoshvili	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Giorgi Gorgadze	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Nikoloz Javakhishvili	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Tornike Goshadze	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Insaf Aliev	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Jano Archaia	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Ruslan Sivakov	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Luka Jabua	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Andro Chichinadze	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓

Guram Mirtskhulava	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Onise Tskhadadze	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Valeri Tetrashvili	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Giorgi Terishvili	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Irakli Kerashvili	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Revaz Kiknadze	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Sergei Kukharchuk	Participating in group action	2 years in prison	✓		✓	✓	✓
Isako Devidze	Contempt of court	1 year in prison (plea bargain)	✓		✓		✓
* All persons listed in the above table, except for the three marked with **, have been punished in connection with the exercise of their rights to freedom of assembly and freedom of expression							
** Giorgi Chikvaidze and Irakli Papiashvili, both former businessmen with close ties to the Georgian Dream, have been punished for their conflict with the prosecutor's office and for their alleged refusal to assist a sanctioned Russian oligarch, reportedly at the request of Georgian Dream, in hiding his yacht in Georgian territorial waters							
*** Another potential candidate for inclusion on this list is the politician Aleksandre Elisashvili who was recently sentenced to 13 years in prison. At this stage, Mr Elisashvili has not been included on this list because he was convicted of attempted arson committed for terrorist purposes. The defence categorically disputes that his actions were motivated by any terrorist purpose. At the moment, however, it is not possible to assess whether the court sufficiently substantiated its finding that Mr Elisashvili acted with a "terrorist purpose", as the reasoned judgment has not yet been published.							
If it transpires that the court unjustifiably reclassified the offence by attributing a terrorist purpose to Mr Elisashvili's conduct, despite the absence of any such purpose, in order to subject him to a more severe penalty, there would be grounds for including him on this list as well.							