

# **THE DISPUTE OVER THE ACCUSATION MARIA BUTINA IS A SPOTTER DISTRACTS FROM CLEAR CASE SHE SHOULD BE SENT HOME**

Maria Butina's lawyers are complaining that the government submitted a declaration in her sentencing that lays out a theory of how the networking she did would be useful for Russian intelligence. I think that distracts from making an argument that even using the precedents the government relies on, she has a solid case she should be sent home now.