



**United States Department of State**  
*Special Envoy for the Human Rights of  
LGBT Persons*  
Washington, D.C. 20522

May 11, 2015

Mr. Nikolay Alexeyev  
Head of LGBT Human Rights Project GayRussia.Ru

Dear Mr. Alexeyev,

United States Department of State appreciates your contribution to organizing a public rally 'In support of ceasing the Russian aggression against Ukraine and restoring friendly relations with Western countries' on May 1, 2015.

It is worth noting that consistent actions of LGBT activists during the demonstration triggered widespread media-coverage of the event as well as negative responses from Russian officials, which is a clear sign of excellent training and qualification of the protesters.

Following the results of the rally United States Department of State made a decision to redistribute funds allocated for promoting democracy in Russia between human rights organizations. LGBT Human Rights Project GayRussia.Ru and other LGBT organizations will get increased financing at the expense of other opposition democratic organizations considering their low efficiency in developing civic society in Russia.

You should contact Minister Consular for Public Affairs at U.S. Embassy in Moscow, Jeffrey Sexton regarding further financial and organizational issues.

[j.sexton.emb@gmail.com](mailto:j.sexton.emb@gmail.com)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randy Berry".

Randy W. Berry