

Conscientious Objectors
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Currently, there are **69** Jehovah's Witnesses who have been charged under the Criminal Code for their conscientious refusal of military service on religious grounds. Of these, **69** have been tried, convicted, and imprisoned; **no-one** is being held in pretrial detention; **no-one** received a suspended sentence. The names, dates of imprisonment, grounds (under criminal code¹), duration of sentence and present locations of detention are as follows:

Sixty-nine Jehovah's Witnesses have been tried, convicted, and imprisoned:

<i>Mkhitar Sargsyan</i>	<i>July 17, 2008</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 36 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Shahen Asatryan</i>	<i>July 17, 2008</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 36 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>David Mnatsakanyan</i>	<i>February 2, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Vigen Sargsyan</i>	<i>February 2, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Vladimir Sargsyan</i>	<i>April 21, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Gagik Toplakhaltzyan</i>	<i>May 18, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Harutyun Gagyan</i>	<i>May 28, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Hayk Avagyan</i>	<i>July 9, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Gor Aslanyan</i>	<i>July 27, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Aram Apresyan</i>	<i>August 26, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Kamo Sahakyan</i>	<i>August 26, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Ishkhan Grigoryan</i>	<i>August 10, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Arkadi Mardoyan</i>	<i>August 28, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>Vanik Soghomyan</i>	<i>August 31, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>Grigor Safaryan</i>	<i>September 4, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Lyudvik Arshakyan</i>	<i>September 7, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Raphael Manukyan</i>	<i>September 17, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>Karapet Aghadjanyan</i>	<i>September 22, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Hakob Babudjyan</i>	<i>September 25, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Artak Kroyan</i>	<i>September 30, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Vahram Grigoryan</i>	<i>October 2, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Gevork Sargsyan</i>	<i>October 8, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Roman Minasyan</i>	<i>October 12, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Andranik Martirosyan</i>	<i>October 12, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Aghasi Sargsyan</i>	<i>October 14, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Hayk Ghazaryan</i>	<i>November 3, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Spartak Khanumyan</i>	<i>December 28, 2009</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>Levon Vardanyan</i>	<i>January 18, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Vardan Vardanyan</i>	<i>January 19, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Hovhannes Kasemyan</i>	<i>February 2, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>Taron Pirapyan</i>	<i>March 2, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Karapet Sargsyan</i>	<i>March 18, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>Samvel Prutyanyan</i>	<i>March 23, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Artur Torosyan</i>	<i>March 9, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Ashot Khachikyan</i>	<i>March 29, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>David Martirosyan</i>	<i>March 29, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Arayik Nahapetyan</i>	<i>April 9, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Zorayr Arakelyan</i>	<i>April 14, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
<i>Narek Seyranyan</i>	<i>April 22, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
<i>Levon Tumanyan</i>	<i>May 6, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Rafael Khalatov</i>	<i>May 19, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
<i>Narek Chinaryan</i>	<i>May 21, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>

¹ **Article 327 I states:** Evasion from recurring draft military or alternative service call-up, training exercise or mobilization, without any order defined by Legislation of the RA as grounds for exemption, is punished with arrest for a maximum term of two months, or imprisonment for a maximum term of three years (modified 16.12.2005).

Narek Pogosyan	<i>May 24, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
Suren Tonoyan	<i>June 9, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
David Khlghatyan	<i>July 19, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Andranik Bagiryan	<i>August 2, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Edouard Ohandjanyan	<i>August 2, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Levon Avakyan	<i>August 3, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Alik Davtyan	<i>August 4, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Sevak Aghekyan	<i>August 5, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Manuk Khechoyan	<i>August 9, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Derenik Minasyan	<i>August 11, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
Vahe Avetisyan	<i>August 13, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
Artur Hayrapetyan	<i>August 18, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 12 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Hakob Engibaryan	<i>August 24, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 27 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Harutyun Mnatsakanyan	<i>August 25, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 36 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Gor Mesropyan	<i>August 27, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Artashes Arshakyan	<i>September 6, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
Vardan Antonyan	<i>September 11, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Vahagn Alikhanyan	<i>September 24, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Artik Penal Institution</i>
Anri Khachatryan	<i>September 29, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Nikolay Poghosyan	<i>October 21, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
David Muradyan	<i>December 30, 2010</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 18 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
Ashot Voskanyan	<i>February 2, 2011</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 36 months</i>	<i>Erebuni Penal Institution</i>
Samvel Sargsyan	<i>February 2, 2011</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
Arutyun Kirakosyan	<i>March 9, 2011</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Nubarashen Penal Institution</i>
Andranik Geghamyan	<i>March 15, 2011</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 24 months</i>	<i>Kosh Penal Institution</i>
Hayk Sargsyan	<i>April 8, 2011</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Nubarashen Penal Institution</i>
Hovik Gasparyan	<i>April 11, 2011</i>	<i>§ 327 I, 30 months</i>	<i>Nubarashen Penal Institution</i>

No Jehovah's Witness is being held in pretrial detention.

No Jehovah's Witnesses received a suspended sentence.