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## AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MUSIC

Professor Makarov's legal advisor, Mr Luke Adamson, has informed the Australian Institute of Music, 'that Professor Makarov instructs that he is not guilty. He has never acted untoward to any young person, as alleged. He intends to fight the allegations and has complete faith that the charges will be dismissed.' Spokesperson for the Australian Institute of Music, Dr P Calvo, stated there has been strong support from both staff and students to the Institute's continuing employment of Professor Makarov as head of the Institute's Piano Department.