

THE NAME OF THE YOUNG MOLDOVAN MAN WHO WAS KILLED BY POLICE IS VALERIU BOBOC

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The Moldovan media has learned the name of the first victim of the police crackdown: a 23-year old man died after being beaten by the police, says Ziare.com quoting sources from Chisinau.

Valeriu Boboc, aged 23, died at the police station. His family doesn't know for sure the cause of his death but they think he must have been savagely beaten by the police because his body is badly bruised.

The Moldovan prosecutor's office denies that Valeriu Boboc died after being injured by the police officers, according to the Agerpres press agency.

The prosecutors claim that "according to the autopsy, the corporal lesions suffered by the man (a rib fracture, specifically) are not the cause of his death. The doctors said that the young man suffered an intoxication caused by an unknown substance.

In order to rule out any doubts about the cause of death, the prosecutors agreed to accept an international examination.

Ala Boboc, Valeriu Boboc's mother, doesn't think her son was killed by a stone, a brick or by an intoxication with unknown substances, which is what she was told when claimed the body at the morgue. "He was hit in the head, and it is not an accidental bump. He was beaten to death. We will do whatever we can to find out how something like this could have happened".

Valeriu Boboc was a salesman in the farmers market. After work, he went along with two friends to the Parliament Square (Piata Marii Adunari Nationale). "He didn't come home on Tuesday evening. We heard that somebody died and our heart told us it was Valeriu; both I and my husband had heart spasms...", declared the young man's mother to a journalist from Jurnalul de Chisinau.

According to the young man 's father, taxi driver Victor Boboc, Valeriu had a deep bruise at the temple, while the legal-medical expertise declared intoxication with some unknown gas as the cause of the death . The victim's father, quoted by Jurnal de Chisinau, said "you can see that he was dragged by the elbows. He has several bruises on his body. The police told us that he was found dead at the place of the protest".

Valeriu Boboc, who was not member of any political party, supported the Liberal Party in the last election. He would have been 24 on May 5th. He leaves behind his grieved parents, his wife Natalia and a little 2 year old boy, Dragos. The funeral is to take place on Sunday afternoon.

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