

**United States Court of Appeals  
For the First Circuit**

No. 00-1743

YURY YATSKIN,  
Petitioner, Appellant,

v.

IMMIGRATION PPEALSs

TORRUELLA, Circuit Judge

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<sup>1</sup> This statute was rewritten in 1996, and is now found at 8 U.S.C. § 1231(b)(3) in substantially the same form.

which he refused to do. This led to clashes with administrators and teachers at his high school. Following high school, he worked in a track company,<sup>2</sup> where he was often in conflict with Party officials at the factory over his outspoken criticism of the Communist government.

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<sup>2</sup> There is no explanation in the record of precisely what a "track company" is.



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<sup>4</sup> We have held the same. See, e.g.

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We will not reverse the BIA's decision unless "the record evidence would compel a reasonable factfinder to make a contrary determination." Aguilar-Solís v. INS, 168 F.3d 565, 569 (1st Cir. 1999). Put more strongly,

shifts to the INS to show by a preponderance of the evidence, id.





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<sup>6</sup> Although the report ei12 -six years old, Yatskin has made12 allegation that the situation in Russia has changed since that time in a way that would affect heilasylum claim.

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<sup>7</sup> Yatskin stated that he reads Russian newspapers and calls home regularly. When asked how often he spoke with his family, he replied that

situation in Russia has changed since the early 1990s in any way. See,  
e.g., Gailius,

