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Image of the official engagement photograph of Tzar Nicholas II and Alexandra Feodorovna. Online, courtesy Wikimedia Commons.

*On July 16 [1918],
a telegram in previously
agreed-upon language
came from Perm
containing the order
to exterminate the Romanovs*

Yakov Yurovsky

Chief Executioner

Before an execution, there's supposed to be a trial. Before a trial, there's supposed to be a crime.

What was the crime of 13-year-old Alexis, heir to the Russian throne? What was the crime of Anastasia and his other sisters?

No crime. No trial. No justice. This is their story.

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Romanov Sisters

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Alexis - Son of Nicholas II

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