

President of the Republic of Malawi  
Professor Arthur Peter Mutharika  
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Malawi

Your Excellency,

I urge you to protect people with albinism from murder. Attacks on them have risen steeply in Malawi since November 2014.

Annie Alfred is one of many people with albinism in the country. Along with others like her, she is under threat from those who believe that killing her for her body parts will make them rich. Prove them wrong.

Please show them that far from riches, crimes against people like Annie are met with the full weight of the law.

Sincerely,

Ilham Aliyev  
Office of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan  
19 Istiqlaliyyat Street  
Baku, AZ 1066  
Azerbaijan

Dear President Aliyev,

I call on you to immediately and unconditionally release Bayram Mammadov and Giyas Ibrahimov, and drop the drug charges against them.

Bayram and Giyas were tortured into confessing to possession of heroin, which was planted on them – a ruse used by police whose real motives were to punish the students for spraying graffiti on the statue of the former president of Azerbaijan, Heydar Aliyev.

Bayram and Giyas should not be facing up to 12 years in prison for exercising their right to freedom of expression. Please release them now.

Sincerely,

President Barack Obama  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama,

I urge you to grant a presidential pardon to Edward Snowden as a whistle-blower who spoke out to defend our human rights.

When he shared US intelligence documents with journalists, Edward revealed how governments were scooping up our personal data, including phone calls, emails and much more. His actions sparked a global debate and movement to protect our privacy online. Yet he's forced to live in exile and faces decades in prison.

President Obama, you yourself have said that the debate he triggered on surveillance "will make us stronger." Edward Snowden is a human rights hero. Please treat him like one.

Sincerely,

Bekir Bozdağ  
Ministry of Justice  
Adalet Bakanlığı  
06659 Ankara  
Turkey

Dear Minister Bekir Bozdağ,

I call on you to repeal laws in Turkey that stifle people's right to freedom of expression. Lawyer and former newspaper editor Eren Keskin is a victim of these laws; she must not be imprisoned for speaking out for justice.

In 2014, Eren was convicted of "insulting the Turkish state" because she spoke out against the killing of a 12-year-old boy by the army. She has been brought before the courts more than 100 times because of her outspoken stand on the plight of Turkey's Kurdish minority. The sheer volume of cases against her is nothing short of harassment.

Eren must not be imprisoned simply for criticizing the state. A truly robust state is one that listens to its critics. Show the world that Turkey is such a state.

Sincerely,

President of the Republic of Cameroon  
His Excellency Paul Biya  
P.O. Box 95 Yaoundé  
Cameroon

Your excellency,

I urge you to free Fomusoh Ivo Feh and his friends, Afuh Nivelles Nfor and Azah Levis Gob, without delay.

They have been sentenced to 10 years in prison– all because they shared a joke SMS message with each other.

Please don't make them pay with their futures for this.

Sincerely,

Director Fan Jun  
Prison Administration Bureau of Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region  
No.626 Xinquanjie, Tianshanqu  
Urumqi, Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region  
People's Republic of China  
Postal code: 830002

Dear Director Fan Jun,

I call on you to ensure that Ilham Tohti is not tortured or ill-treated in detention. A university professor, Ilham Tohti worked tirelessly to build bridges between ethnic communities in China.

He always opposed violence in his writing and lectures, and sought to encourage co-operation and understanding. But he's been jailed for life for so-called "separatism".

Ilham Tohti is being cruelly punished for his peaceful activism It is unjust. He should be immediately and unconditionally released.

Sincerely,

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON  
Canada  
K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

I urge you to halt the Site C dam, and honour Canada's obligations to respect and protect the rights of Indigenous peoples in the Peace River Valley, British Columbia.

If built, this huge hydroelectric project will drown over 80km of the Peace River Valley, destroying lands vital to Indigenous hunting and fishing and sweeping away grave sites.

Over 100 years ago, the Canadian government signed a treaty, promising to protect the way of life of Indigenous peoples in the region. Prime Minister Trudeau, please don't break that promise.

Sincerely,

Yasonna Laoly  
Ministry of Law and Human Rights  
Jl. HR Rasuna Said Kav 6-7  
Kuningan, Jakarta Selatan  
Jakarta 12950, Indonesia

Dear Minister,

I call on you to immediately and unconditionally release prisoner of conscience Johan Teterissa and all of his co-protestors imprisoned for their peaceful political expression. Pending his release, Johan should be immediately transferred to a prison closer to his family.

Johan, a primary school teacher, has spent more than 10 years in prison for the simple act of waving a flag. He led a group of men in a dance protest which ended with them raising a flag banned by the government. The men were taken by the police, whipped, beaten and eventually thrown in jail following a clearly unfair trial.

Johan was sentenced to life, reduced to a 15-year sentence. He has served 10 years of his sentence and is still in a prison, thousands of miles from his family and friends. Please take action today to end this injustice.

Sincerely,

President Barack Obama  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama,

I am writing to urge you to grant Leonard Peltier's application for clemency on humanitarian grounds and in the interests of justice.

I share Amnesty International's serious concerns about the fairness of the proceedings leading to Leonard Peltier's trial and the evidence on which his conviction was based. Parole examiners have thus far failed to take account of the mitigating factors in the case.

Given that all available remedies have been exhausted; that Leonard Peltier's next parole hearing is scheduled for 2024; and that Leonard Peltier has spent 40 years in prison, the interests of justice would best be served by releasing Leonard Peltier from prison.

Sincerely,

Minister of Interior  
Carlos Basombrío  
Plaza 30 de Agosto s/n Urb. Corpac - San Isidro  
Lima, Perú

Dear Minister Carlos Basombrío,

I urge you to protect Máxima Acuña and her family from violence and intimidation. I also ask that you promptly investigate the attacks that have already been carried out against her, bringing those responsible to justice.

Máxima, a peasant farmer in northern Peru, has braved violent harassment and intimidation from local police for refusing to leave the land where she lives with her family. She is in a legal battle with Yanacocha, one of the world's biggest gold and copper mines, over the ownership of the land. She believes the police's harassment is an attempt to drive her away from her home.

Please make sure the police do their job and protect her and her family.

Sincerely,

Nabil Sadek  
Office of the Public Prosecutor  
Madinat Al-Rihab  
New Cairo, Egypt

Dear Counsellor Nabil Sadek,

I urge you to release Mahmoud Abu Zeid, better known as Shawkan, immediately and unconditionally with all charges against him dropped. He is a prisoner of conscience, detained solely for his journalistic work.

A photojournalist, he was covering the Rabaa al-Adaweya sit-in on 14 August 2013 in Cairo, when security forces swept in. More than 700 people were killed in that sit-in alone. Up to 1,000 people were killed across the country as police and army officers were deployed to disperse protests nationally.

When police found out Shawkan was a journalist, they arrested him. He has been in detention for more than three years facing trumped-up charges and receiving inadequate health care. Please release him without delay.

Sincerely,

Ayatollah Sadegh Larijani  
Head of the Judiciary  
c/o Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations  
Chemin du Petit-Saconnex 28  
1209 Geneva  
Switzerland

Your Excellency,

I call on you to release Iranian Kurdish prisoner Zeynab Jalalian and immediately give her the treatment she needs.

I am concerned that Iran's authorities are denying her the specialized medical treatment she urgently needs for her eyes.

Arrested for her social and political activities in 2008, Zeynab Jalalian says she was tortured in custody. She is serving a life sentence imposed after grossly unfair proceedings for her supposed links to the military wing of a Kurdish opposition group, an allegation which has not been supported by any evidence.

Sincerely,