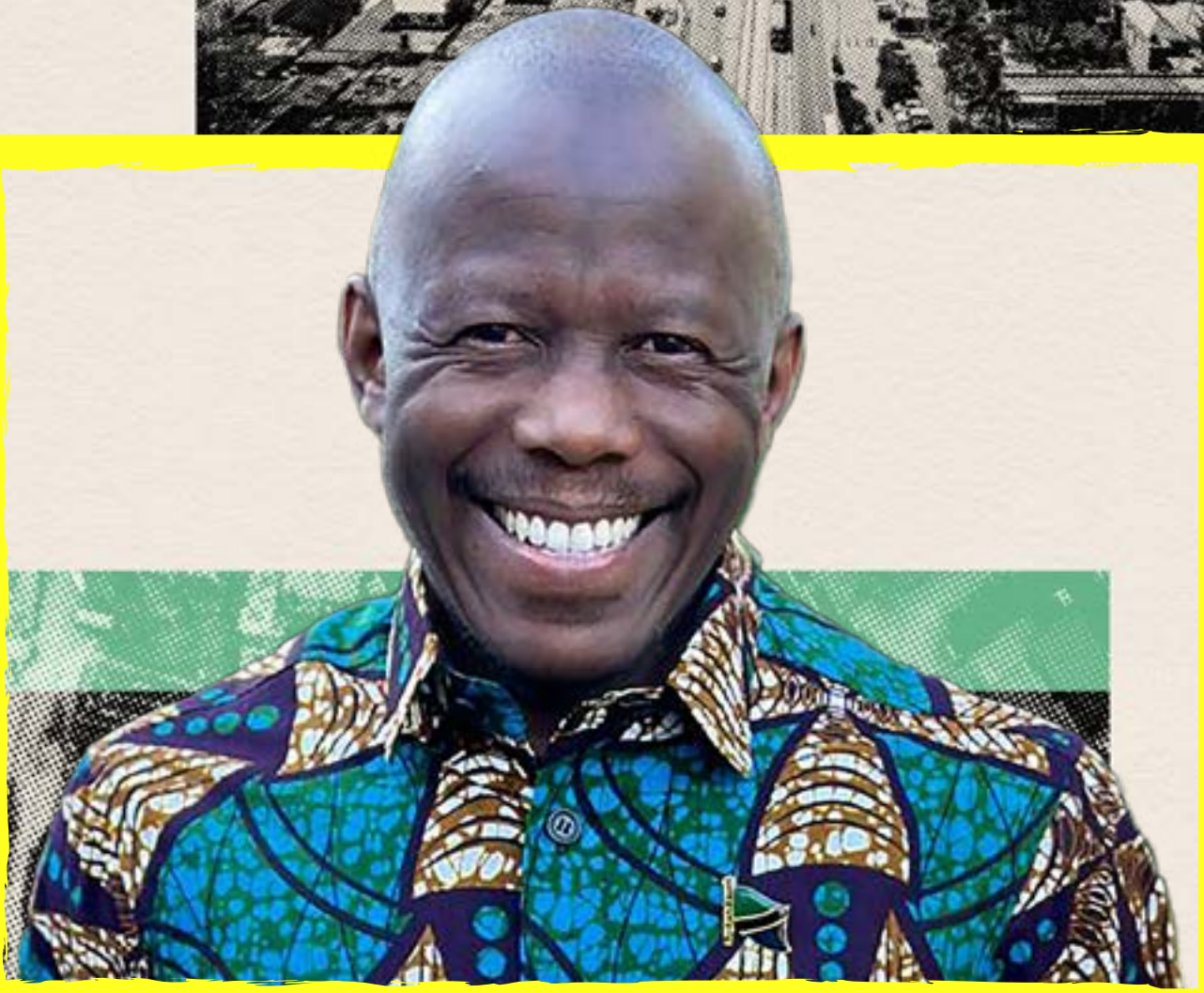
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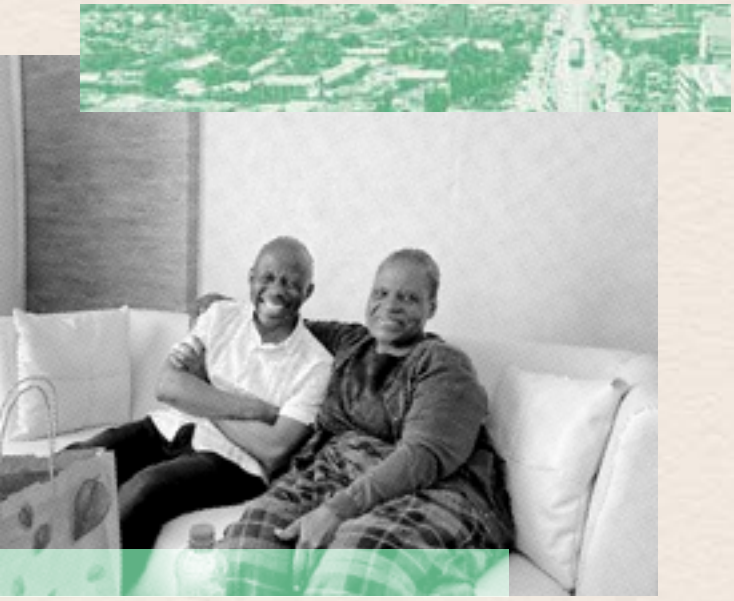


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HUMPHREY POLEPOLE

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On 6 October 2025, Humphrey Polepole – a former diplomat and government critic – was abducted from his home in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, by unidentified state security agents. His family found the front door broken and a significant amount of blood at the scene.

Humphrey's family and friends have been unable to reach him since. His mother frequently walks around her home crying and calling out "Humphrey, where are you, where are you?"

Humphrey appears to have been targeted because he is an outspoken government critic, having criticized President Samia Suluhu Hassan and the ruling party for restrictions on civic space, crackdowns on human rights, and attacks on political opposition members.

Humphrey is an active and loving member of his community. In his free time, he supports vulnerable people, regularly visiting orphanages and organizing seminars for the youth on political participation. His family – including his elderly mother, who he cares for, and beloved dog, Fighter – miss him dearly. He should be at home with them.

His enforced disappearance – a crime under international law – is an example of the Tanzanian authorities' use of authoritarian practices employed to punish and silence dissenting voices.

Call on the Tanzanian authorities to immediately disclose Humphrey's fate and whereabouts.

WRITE TO THE PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA

Demand that she orders the disclosure of Humphrey Polepole's fate and whereabouts and, if detained, his immediate release.

ADDRESS:
President of Tanzania
Office of the President
PO box 1102
1 Julius Nyerere Road
Chamwino
40400 Dodoma
TANZANIA

Tanzanian Embassy in
the United States
Ambassador Dr. Elsie Sia Kanza
1232 22nd St. NW,
Washington D.C 20037

SALUTATION: Dear President

HASHTAGS: #WhereIsHumphreyPolepole, #FreeHumphreyPolepole, #JusticeForPolepole, #W4R26

STAND WITH HUMPHREY POLEPOLE'S FAMILY AS THEY DEMAND ANSWERS

Send Humphrey's family messages of hope and support. Let them know that they are not alone in wanting Humphrey to be returned safely to them. "Mapambano lazima yaendelee mpaka ushindi upatikane" loosely translates to: "The struggle must continue until victory." Humphrey liked this famous Che Guevara phrase. You can include this quote in your messages.

ADDRESS:
Humphrey Polepole's family
c/o Amnesty International
East Africa Regional Office
197 Lenana Place, Lenana Road
PO Box 1527-00606
Nairobi
KENYA

HASHTAGS: #WeStandWithHumphrey, #SolidarityForPolepole, #StandStrongPolepole, #YouAreNotAloneHumphrey, #W4R26

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