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**atena daemi – HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDER – iran**

Head of the Judiciary Ayatollah Sadegh Larijani  
c/o Permanent Mission of Iran to the United Nations in Geneva

Chemin du Petit-Saconnex 28

1209 Geneva

Switzerland

Your Excellency,

I urge you to release Atena Daemi immediately and unconditionally, and to quash her sentence and conviction. She is a human rights defender who has done nothing more than peacefully campaign against the use of the death penalty in Iran.

She is a prisoner of conscience who has been imprisoned for seven years solely for peacefully exercising her right to freedom of expression, association and assembly.

Atena Daemi has been in poor health while imprisoned. Therefore, I call on you to ensure that she is granted access to the specialized medical care she requires outside prison.

She must be released today.

Yours sincerely

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**gulzar duishenova – HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDER – Kirghizistan**

Speaker of Parliament

Chui Prospekti, 205

Bishkek

Kyrgyzstan 720000

Dear Speaker,  
  
I urge you to listen to the concerns of Gulzar Duishenova and other defenders of the rights of people with disabilities and to help ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as soon as possible.

People with disabilities face extreme levels of discrimination in Kyrgyzstan that affect women in particular, and the implementation of legislation addressing this discrimination should be a priority, including improving access to health, buildings, jobs and public transport.

Yours sincerely

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Botschaft von Kirgistan in der Schweiz, Avenue Blanc 51, 1202 Genève

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**nonhle mbuthuma – HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDER – AFRIQUE DU SUD**

Cyril Ramaphosa

President of the Republic of South Africa

Union Buildings

Private Bag X1000

Pretoria, South Africa

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Mr President

I urge you and your government to protect Nonhle Mbuthuma, the Amadiba community leader in the Eastern Cape. She is a peaceful human rights defender standing up for her community to protect the land they rely on.

Please also conduct a full and proper investigations into the harassment and intimidation targeted at her and other activists as they stand up to the actions of the mining company Transworld Energy and Mineral Resources (TEM).

Yours sincerely

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**vitalina koval – HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDER – ukraine**

Dear Minister,

Minister of InteriorVul. Akademika Bohomoltsa, 10Kyiv, 01601Ukraine

I urge you to publicly recognise and support the vital work of Vitalina Koval and others like her who peacefully defend the rights of women and LGBTI people in Ukraine. Please ensure they can exercise their right to freedom of expression and assembly without fear of attacks and reprisals.

I also urge you to ensure prompt, effective and impartial investigations are carried out into all attacks on activists by far-right groups which have been on the rise in Ukraine since 2017, and to ensure that any discriminatory motives are taken into account during the investigation. Those responsible for the attacks must be brought to justice.

Yours sincerely

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**geraldine chacón – HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDER – venezuela**

Embajada de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela

Fiscal General de la República

Carba Center 47

Waldeggstrasse 47

3097 Liebefeld

Señor Fiscal General / Mr Attorney General,

I urge you to formally close the case against Geraldine Chacón and grant her unconditional freedom. She is a peaceful human rights defender who has not advocated violence at any stage.

Geraldine was arrested, detained in appalling conditions for four months and intimidated solely on the basis of her peaceful work with young people in Caracas. Though conditionally released in June 2018, she can’t leave the country and could be arrested again at any time for no reason.

A passionate and active young member of society should be celebrated, not silenced.

Yours sincerely