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TAIWAN (REPUBLIC OF CHINA)

Dear President Tsai,

Chiou Ho-shun was arrested in 1988 in relation to the murder of Ko Hung Yu-lan and the kidnapping of Lu Cheng. He was convicted and sentenced to death in 1989. During detention and interrogation Chiou was beaten repeatedly, blindfolded, tied up, forced to sit on ice and subjected to electric shocks and having water mixed with pepper poured into his mouth and nose.

Prosecutors used 'confessions' obtained through police torture of Chiou and other co-defendants as evidence to prove guilt, even though no material evidence linking Chiou to the crimes has ever been presented in court. Taiwan's Supreme Court ordered the case to be retried 11 times, but it still affirmed Chiou's death sentence in 2011.

I opposes the death penalty, cruel and inhuman treatments and unfair trials in all cases. The legal system and the government should protect people's dignity and personal safety at all costs. Therefore, we call on the government of Taiwan to ensure that Chiou Ho-shun is granted pardon and has his death sentence commuted, letting him go home after 32 years in despair.

Thank you for your attention. I am looking forward to you reply.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of the Investigative Directorate  
Airat Saetovich Akhmedshin  
Investigative Committee, Nizhnii Novgorod region  
Ul. Marshala Voronkova, 22a  
Nizhnii Novgorod 603950  
RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Dear Head of the Investigative Directorate,

I am writing to express my deep concern about the ongoing criminal prosecution of civil society activist Mikhail Iosilevich. On 8 October 2020, Iosilevich was charged under Article 284.1 of the Russian Criminal Code for alleged cooperation with an 'undesirable organization'. The investigators accused him of having provided the premises for a training conducted by an 'undesirable' organisation, Open Russia.

While this is a 'crime' only under Russian legislation, which itself contravenes Russia's international human rights obligations and must be repealed, the prosecution of Mikhail Iosilevich is also based on false grounds. He insists that the training had been conducted by another organization, Golos, a Russian movement of election monitors, and that there is no evidence of his involvement with Open Russia.

I urge you to ensure an end to Mikhail Iosilevich' unfounded criminal prosecution.

Thank you for your attention. I am looking forward to you reply.

Yours sincerely,

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Director Li Dengquan  
Linyi Shi Public Security Bureau  
7 Shanghai Lu, Lanshan Qu  
Linyi Shi, Shandong Sheng  
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Dear Director Li,

I am writing to express my grave concern for Li Qiaochu. She has been held incommunicado since 6 February 2021 and might be facing charges related to subversion merely for engaging in peaceful activism.

Li Qiaochu is a prominent researcher on labour rights and has been a peaceful advocate against gender-based violence for many years. It is deeply upsetting that Li Qiaochu has been detained on suspicion of such serious charges solely for speaking about and reporting human rights violations.

Therefore, I urge you to immediately and unconditionally release Li Qiaochu, unless there is sufficient credible and admissible evidence that she has committed an internationally recognized offence and is granted a fair trial in line with international standards.

Pending her release, please ensure that Li Qiaochu has regular, unrestricted access to family and lawyers of her choice and is not subjected to torture and other ill-treatment.

Thank you for your attention. I am looking forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,

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