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Dear President Díaz-Canel,

Please allow me to draw your attention to the imprisonment of Mr Roberto de Jesús Quiñones Haces, a Cuban independent journalist at Cubanet. He was arrested on 11 September 2019, after being convicted of resistance and disobedience and sentenced to one-year in prison in August 2019. I am concerned that his imprisonment is yet another example of criminal code provisions such as “resistance” to public officials carrying out their duties and “disobedience” being used to stifle the right to freedom of expression in Cuba.

I therefore demand the immediate and unconditional release of Mr Roberto de Jesús Quiñones Haces. Pending his release, please ensure that he is allowed access to his family and is not subjected to torture or other ill-treatment.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,

(Naam, adres)