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(Plaats, datum)

Dear Mr Gholamhossein Mohseni Ejei,

I wish to express my concern about unjustly imprisoned political activist Abbas Vahedian. Since 5 May 2022 authorities in Vakilabad prison cut off all his contact with the outside world.

The authorities have also tortured Vahedian by deliberately denying him adequate medical care since his arbitrary arrest on 1 September 2021, causing him severe pain and suffering. He developed chronic pain after he was held in solitary confinement and forced to sleep on the ground without a pillow and a mattress.

I urge you to immediately end his incommunicado detention and grant him access to phone calls and visits with his family and lawyers. I further urge you to release him immediately and unconditionally, as he is held solely for the peaceful exercise of his human rights to freedom of expression and association. Pending his release, I urge you to provide him with any specialised medical care he requires and to protect him from further torture.

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

Yours sincerely,

(Naam, adres)