


WRITE FOR
AHMED MANSOOR
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
LOCKED UP FOR SPEAKING THE TRUTH
**RECEIVED A PRISON
SENTENCE OF 10 YEARS.**

Ahmed Mansoor is a father and husband, a poet, blogger and a human rights defender. He is currently locked away in a cell in al-Sadr prison in Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates (UAE). He spends his days in an isolation cell, with no access to books, pens or paper. He does not even have a bed.

IMPRISONED BECAUSE HE SPOKE THE TRUTH

His crime? Speaking the truth. Before his arrest, Ahmed was one of the few voices within the UAE providing the rest of the world with credible independent information about human rights violations in the country. He regularly raised concerns about the detention, torture and unfair trials of people who hold different views than the government. He spoke about problems with the justice system and of domestic laws that breach international ones.



PUNISHED WITH 10 YEARS IN PRISON

For this Ahmed is paying a high price. In March 2017, he was arrested. For over a year, no one knew where he was detained. In May 2018, Ahmed was sentenced to a decade in prison on charges including 'insulting the UAE.'

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WHAT CAN YOU DO?

-  Demand the president of the United Arab Emirates to release Ahmed Mansoor immediately and unconditionally.
-  Send Ahmed your message of solidarity and hope, so he knows you support him.

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Your Highness,

I call on you to immediately and unconditionally release Ahmed Mansoor and to quash his sentence and conviction, as he has been imprisoned solely for his peaceful human rights activism.

Pending his release, he should be detained in conditions that comply with international standards and must not be subjected to torture or other ill-treatment. He must be granted immediate and regular access to his family and any healthcare he may require.

Yours sincerely,

[name]

[place of residence, country]

1. WRITE A LETTER

and demand the president of the United Arab Emirates to release Ahmed Mansoor immediately and unconditionally.

SEND YOUR LETTER TO

President of the United Arab
Emirates Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed
Al Nahyan
c/o United Arab Emirates Embassy
Churchillplein 6C
2517 JW Den Haag

2. SEND A CARD

Send Ahmed your message of solidarity and hope, so he knows you support him.

SEND YOUR CARD TO

Amnesty
International Postbus
1968
1000 BZ Amsterdam
(Amnesty will make sure that your
card reaches Ahmed)

Dear Ahmed,

I'm thinking of you
and support you.

[your name + country]

TEXT SUGGESTION

CAUTION:
DO NOT USE
RELIGIOUS
SYMBOLS



WRITE FOR

ANA MARIA SANTOS CRUZ
BRAZIL
HER SON WAS KILLED

A MOTHER'S FIGHT FOR JUSTICE

Ana Maria Santos Cruz from Brazil is a loving mother. Her son, Pedro Henrique, was an activist and advocate of racial justice and human rights. He paid for that with his life. Since the death of her son, Ana Maria feels like a part of her has been taken away. She has been constantly fighting for justice. However, in her relentless pursuit of justice, Ana Maria faces ongoing threats and harassment.

TAKING ACTION AGAINST RACISM

Pedro Henrique was an activist and organized "Walks of Peace". These marches brought people together to speak out about police abuses primarily against black communities.

TARGETED BY THE POLICE

Officers threatened and violently attacked Pedro Henrique for his activism. On 27 December 2018, his house was raided by three hooded men as he slept next to his girlfriend. He was shot eight times in the head and neck. Pedro Henrique was killed, aged 31. His girlfriend recognized the three men as police officers. The officers suspected of killing Pedro Henrique were indicted in 2019. But almost 5 years on, they are still active in the police force. The investigation into the killing has not been concluded and the trial has yet to begin.

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FIGHT FOR JUSTICE

Despite ongoing threats and the grief of losing her child, Ana Maria has bravely sought the truth about his death, calling on the authorities for a thorough investigation and trial.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

-  Demand the General Prosecutor of Bahia to take all necessary measures to ensure an independent, impartial and thorough investigation into Pedro Henrique's murder and bring those responsible to justice in fair trials.
-  Send Ana Maria Maria your message of solidarity and hope, so she knows you support her.

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Dear General Prosecutor,

I call on you to immediately take all necessary measures to ensure an independent, impartial and thorough investigation into the killing of human rights defender Pedro Henrique Santos Cruz, who was murdered on 27 December 2018 in Tucano, Bahia. All those responsible for the crime must be brought to justice in fair trials.

While seeking justice for her son, Pedro Henrique's mother, Ana Maria Santos Cruz, has faced repeated threats and harassment. I call on you to take all necessary measures to ensure an end to the continuing judicial and procedural harassment against Ana Maria.

Yours sincerely,

[name]

[place of residence, country]

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General Prosecutor of Bahia
Ministério Público do
Estado da Bahia
Quinta Avenida, nº 750,
1º andar sala 129, do CAB
CEP 41.745-004
Salvador, BA
Brasília

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so she knows you support her.

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Dear Ana Maria, I support
your battle for justice for
your son Pedro.

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card reaches Ana Maria.)

Prezada Ana Maria,
Tem todo o nosso apoio na
luta, para que se faça
justiça ao seu filho Pedro.
Cordiais cumprimentos.

[your name + country]

WRITE FOR**SAWYEDDOLLAH
MYANMAR****TAKING ON FACEBOOK FOR ITS ROLE IN
MYANMAR ATROCITIES****FACEBOOK MUST HELP
FLEEING ROHINGYA**

Sawyeddollah enjoyed playing football and dreamed of becoming a doctor. However, in 2017, when he was 15, his life was upended.

DISCRIMINATION, ALSO BY THE STATE

Sawyeddollah belongs to the Rohingya, an ethnic minority who have faced decades of severe state-sponsored discrimination in Myanmar. From 2012 onwards, the situation got worse and worse. The Myanmar military unleashed ethnic cleansing against the Rohingya. Thousands of Rohingya were killed, raped, tortured, and their villages burned. Fearing for their lives, Sawyeddollah and his family walked 15 days to Bangladesh. They reached Cox's Bazar refugee camp, where they still live. Sawyeddollah now wants to be a lawyer, seeking justice for the Rohingya. In addition to studying, he campaigns for Facebook's owner, Meta, to take responsibility for its contribution to the atrocities.



FACEBOOK FUELED HATE

People with ties to the military and nationalists posted hateful and inflammatory messages on social media. Meta's algorithms amplified anti-Rohingya incitement on the Facebook platform, fuelling the Myanmar military's violence.

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Sawyeddollah and his family have lost everything, but he still has hope. He and his community are calling on Meta to pay reparations for its role in the atrocities, including funding for educational programmes in Cox's Bazar. He believes that education will help rebuild the shattered lives of people in his community. So far, Meta is not responding to this request.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

-  Write to Meta Chief Executive, Mark Zuckerberg, to demand that Meta provides an effective remedy to Sawyeddollah and affected Rohingya communities, as it enabled hatred and discrimination against Rohingya people to thrive on the Facebook platform.
-  Send your messages of hope and solidarity, so Sawyeddollah knows he has your support in his fight for reparations.

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Dear Mr. Zuckerberg,

I call on you to take responsibility, through effective and meaningful remedy, for your company's contribution to the atrocities committed against the Rohingya people in Myanmar. Meta's algorithms amplified anti-Rohingya incitement, fuelling the Myanmar military's violence. Maung Sawyeddollah and his family were forced to flee Myanmar in 2017, when he was just 15 years old. Since Meta enabled hatred and discrimination against Rohingya people to thrive on the Facebook platform, Sawyeddollah and his community are calling on your company to pay reparations and fund education programmes in Cox's Bazar refugee camp in Bangladesh, where they now reside.

Yours sincerely,

[name]

[place of residence, country]

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SEND YOUR LETTER TO

Mark Zuckerberg
Meta CEO
1 Hacker Way
Menlo Park, CA
94025 USA

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so he knows he has your support in his fight for reparations.

SEND YOUR CARD TO

Amnesty
International Postbus
1968
1000 BZ Amsterdam
(Amnesty zorgt ervoor dat je kaart
bij Sawyeddollah terechtkomt)

TEXT SUGGESTION

Dear Sawyeddollah,

We are deeply
inspired by you and
we
support you.

[your name + country]



WRITE FOR

**THAPELO MOHAPI EN DE
AB AHLALI BASEMJONDOLO
SOUTH AFRICA**
PROTECT THEIR COMMUNITY

THREATENED FOR ACTIVISM

Thapelo Mohapi loves listening to jazz and supporting his favorite football teams, the Mamelodi Sundowns and Manchester City. But right now he can't enjoy these things like he used to. Since 2021, he has been forced to live in hiding because of threats to his life.

FIGHTING FOR A BETTER LIFE



Thapelo works for Abahlali baseMjondolo (AbM), a movement that fights for the rights of people across South Africa, particularly in areas suffering economic hardship. One such place is eKhenana, in the province of KwaZulu-Natal. Most residents are economic migrants from rural South Africa who have moved to seek a better life. They cannot afford the high costs of living in the area and often end up making homes from waste materials, with little to no access to water or sanitation. They also face police brutality, forced evictions and poor public services, amongst many other challenges.

GOOD INITIATIVES ARE MET WITH VIOLENCE

Determined to improve lives in the community, AbM members in eKhenana have spoken out against cases of local government corruption and worked hard to improve life in their community by starting a school, farm, communal kitchen and shop. In return, they have been met with not just resistance but threats, harassment

and intimidation from state officials who have incited violence against them. They have been victims of attempted and actual murders, violence, harassment, and damage to their homes. In 2022 alone, three AbM members were killed in eKhenana.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

-  Demand the police to thoroughly investigate the intimidation and murders of AbM members.
-  Send Thapelo your message of solidarity and hope, so he knows you support him.

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Dear Minister,

I demand a thorough, impartial, independent, transparent and effective investigation into the killing and harassment of members of the Abahlali baseMjondolo (AbM) movement, including Thapelo Mohapi. You must ensure that suspected perpetrators are brought to justice in fair trials and work to end the attacks against AbM members and their families. Twenty-five AbM members have been killed since 2009 and countless other members have been attacked and their properties destroyed. This has included attempted murders, threats of violence, targeted harassment, assault, damage to property, unlawful and forced evictions and trumped-up legal charges. This injustice must end.

Yours sincerely,

[name]

[place of residence, country]

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and demand the police to thoroughly investigate the intimidation and murders of AbM members.

SEND YOUR LETTER TO

Minister of Police
Private bag X463
Pretoria
0001
South Africa

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so Thapelo knows you support him and his movement.

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Dear Thapelo,

I am thinking of
you and
supporting you.
[your name + country]



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UNCLE PABAI EN UNCLE PAUL AUSTRALIA

"IF WE LOSE OUR COUNTRY, WE LOSE EVERYTHING"

FIGHTING TO SAVE THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS

Uncle Pabai and Uncle Paul are community leaders from the Guda Maluyligal Nation at the northernmost part of Australia in the Torres Strait. Their Indigenous ancestors have lived on the islands for thousands of years.

TRADITIONAL WAY OF LIFE IN DANGER

Now, because of climate change, their way of life, traditional knowledge systems, cultural practices and spiritual connections that have been passed down from generation to generation could be broken forever. Rising sea levels are causing more destruction each year by eroding beaches, destroying sacred cultural sites and cemeteries where ancestors are buried, wrecking food gardens, and putting the islands' infrastructure at risk.

GOVERNMENT ACTION NEEDED

Uncle Pabai and Uncle Paul, who are referred to as "uncle" by their communities as a sign of respect, have turned to the courts. They argue that the Australian government is taking insufficient action to prevent harm from climate change, resulting in the destruction of their lands and culture.

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
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PRESERVE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Unless urgent action is taken, many Torres Strait Islanders will be forced to leave their homelands as large parts become uninhabitable. This would be devastating to the communities. As Uncle Pabai says: "We are born to these islands, they are our mothers, our identities, who we are. For thousands of years, our warrior families fought off anyone who tried to take our homelands from us. But now, we could lose the fight against climate change."

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

-  Demand the Prime Minister of Australia to protect the rights of the First Nations communities in the Torres Strait. Carbon emissions must be rapidly reduced to limit global warming.
-  Send Uncle Pabai en Uncle Paul a card so they know you support them and their communities.

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Dear Prime Minister,

To protect the Torres Strait Islands and the human rights of First Nations Peoples, I call on your government to take adequate and human rights-consistent climate action by rapidly reducing carbon emissions in line with the world commitment of limiting global warming to 1.5°C and in line with the best available scientific research. Your government currently states that by 2030 it will reduce emissions 43 per cent below 2005 levels. This is not enough to save the Torres Strait Islands. Leading climate scientists on the Climate Targets Panel calculate Australia's greenhouse emissions need to be reduced by 74 per cent by 2030.

Yours sincerely,

[name]

[place of residence, country]

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SEND YOUR LETTER TO

Prime Minister of
Australia PO box 6022
House of Representatives
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600
Australia

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to show the Peoples of the Torres Strait that you support them.

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Uncle Paul.)

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Dear Uncle Pabai and
Uncle Paul,

I support you in your
fight to protect your
land
and people.

[your name + country]