



MA KHIN KHIN LEH

**No one
should spend their
life in prison
for exercising
a basic
human right.**

Ma Khin Khin Leh, a teacher and mother, is serving a life sentence in Myanmar for organizing a peaceful protest.



Dear Senior General Than Shwe:

I respectfully urge you to free prisoner of conscience **Ma Khin Khin Leh**, who has been imprisoned solely due to her peaceful political activities. Ma Khin Khin Leh was among a group of people planning a demonstration in Bago on July 19, 1999. Days before the demonstration was to occur, security agents arrested Ma Khin Khin Leh and her three-year-old daughter. Authorities released her daughter some days later, but transferred Ma Khin Khin Leh to Insein Prison in Yangon, where she is held today. Following an unfair trial, a court sentenced her in December 1999 to life imprisonment under vaguely-worded security legislation. Ma Khin Khin Leh reportedly suffers from a lung problem, rheumatoid arthritis and dysentery.

Amnesty International reports that security laws are used in Myanmar to prosecute people for peaceful political and religious activities. I urge you to bring about the immediate release of Ma Khin Khin Leh and all other prisoners of conscience in Myanmar.

Sincerely,

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