

**Minister of Justice**

**Lotfi Boudjema**

Ministère de la Justice

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Your Excellency,

I am writing to urge the immediate and unconditional release of poet **Mohamed Tadjadit**, who has been arbitrarily detained since January 2025. On April 30, 2026, he faced trial alongside 12 other activists, including whistleblower Mohamed Benhlime. They face charges such as “conspiring to incite citizens against state authority,” which carries the death penalty. These charges stem solely from peaceful activism and social media posts regarding Algeria’s political situation.

Furthermore, the Algiers Court of Appeals recently upheld a three-year sentence against Tadjadit for “glorifying terrorism” and “offending public bodies” — convictions based entirely on his poetry and the peaceful exercise of free expression.

I call on you to quash these convictions, drop all charges against Tadjadit and his co-defendants, and ensure their release. Please end the criminalization of peaceful dissent in Algeria and uphold the country's international human rights obligations.

Yours sincerely,

***Send a copy of your letter to:***

**c/o Ambassador Sabri Boukadoum**  
**Algerian Embassy in the United States**  
2118 Kalorama Road NW,  
Washington DC 20008

**Embassy of Israel in the United States**  
**Ambassador Dr. Yechiel (Michael) Leiter**  
3514 International Drive, NW,  
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Brig. Gen. Itai Ofir,

I am concerned about the enforced disappearance of **Haitham Abdelwahed** and **Nidal al-Waheidi**, two journalists from the occupied Gaza Strip whose whereabouts have remained unknown since October 7, 2023. The detention of the two journalists was widely documented on that day. Since the two went missing while on duty, their families, colleagues and friends have received no information about them from the Israeli authorities, not even confirmation that they are still alive.

We urge you to immediately disclose the whereabouts of Nidal al-Waheidi and Haitham Abdelwahed, detail the legal grounds for their detention, ensure their humane treatment, including access to medical services and protection from torture and other ill-treatment, and grant them access to the lawyers appointed by their families. Unless they are charged promptly with a recognizable criminal offense and granted a fair trial in accordance with international standards, they must be immediately released.

Yours sincerely,

**Gholamhossein Mohseni Ejei, Head of the Judiciary**  
**c/o Permanent Mission of Iran to the United Nations**  
622 3rd Ave, 34th Floor  
New York, NY 10017

Your Excellency,

I write to express my serious concern about the case of **Mahvash Sabet**, a 72-year-old member of Iran's Baha'i religious minority, who was arrested in 2022 and sentenced to ten years in prison following a reportedly one-hour trial. She was convicted on charges related to her peaceful religious activity and prior service to her community. She is a prisoner of conscience, detained solely for exercising her right to freedom of religion.

Ms. Sabet has reportedly suffered serious abuse in custody, including broken knees sustained during interrogation, and prolonged solitary confinement. She is an educator and former director of the banned Baha'i Institute for Higher Education, as well as a respected writer and poet.

I urge you to ensure that Mahvash Sabet is treated humanely, granted access to adequate medical care and her family, and immediately and unconditionally released.

Yours sincerely,

**Minister of Justice and Human rights**

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Dear Minister of Justice,

I urge your immediate action on behalf of Rokiatou Doumbia, a business owner and social media influencer targeted for speaking on TikTok about the rising cost of living in Mali.

In March 2023, she was arrested and charged with incitement to revolt and abuse to the head of state, later facing additional charges of “discrediting the state” and “criminal conspiracy.” Although her initial conviction was quashed in January 2024, she remains in arbitrary detention with no trial date set.

Rokiatou’s case reflects growing repression of freedom of expression and increasing risk for women facing discrimination, online harassment, and stigma.

I call on you to ensure her immediate and unconditional release and protect her safety and dignity pending release.

Yours sincerely,

***Send a copy of your letter to:***

**c/o Ambassador Sekou Berthe**  
**Malian Embassy in the United States**  
2130 R Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20008

**Ferdinand Marcos Jr., President, Republic of the Philippines**  
**Office of the President**  
**Malacañang Palace**  
**JP Laurel Street, San Miguel, Manila 1005**  
**Republic of the Philippines**

Dear President Marcos,

I am writing regarding the prolonged arbitrary detention of members of the “Tacloban 5,” including journalist **Frenchie Mae Cumpio**, community worker **Marielle Domequil**, and human rights defender **Alexander Philip “Chakoy” Abinguna**, who have been detained since February 2020.

On January 22, Cumpio and Domequil were convicted on baseless terrorism financing charges and sentenced to 12–18 years in prison, despite being acquitted of firearms and explosives charges. Their request for bail pending appeal was denied, and there has been no meaningful progress in Abinguna’s case.

A 2025 Court of Appeals ruling found insufficient evidence linking them to the New People’s Army, condemning the practice of “red-tagging.” I urge you to end this persecution, secure their immediate release, and protect journalists and human rights defenders from harassment and criminalization.

Yours sincerely,

***Send a copy of your letter to:***

**c/o Ambassador Jose Manuel G. Romualdez**  
**Philippines Embassy in the United States**  
Bataan St corner 1600 Massachusetts Ave NW,  
Washington, D.C. 20036 USA

**Russian Embassy in the United States**  
**c/o Ambassador Alexander N. Darchiev**  
2650 Wisconsin Ave., N.W.,  
Washington, D.C. 20007

Dear Mr. Bastrykin, Head of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation,

I am writing to express serious concern over the prosecution of Indigenous rights defender **Daria Egereva**, who was detained on December 17, 2025, and charged under Article 205.5(2) of the Russian Criminal Code.

Daria Egereva is a respected human rights defender and climate activist whose work has focused on Indigenous rights, culture, language, and women's rights. Her prosecution appears to be retaliation for her peaceful human rights advocacy.

Counterterrorism laws must not be used to silence Indigenous civil society.

I urge you to ensure her immediate and unconditional release, drop all charges against her, and guarantee a safe environment for her to continue her human rights work.

Yours sincerely,

**Harmeet K. Dhillon**  
**Assistant Attorney General**  
Civil Rights Division  
U.S. Department of Justice  
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Washington D.C. 20530 USA

Dear Attorney General Dhillon,

I am deeply concerned about the prosecution of journalist **Georgia Fort and other members of the press** for covering a protest on January 18, 2026. Charging journalists—including with a hate crime—for reporting on a protest inside Cities Church in St. Paul, where a pastor was also an acting ICE field office director, violates press freedom.

Article 19 of the ICCPR, ratified by the United States, protects journalists' right to gather and share information. Reporting is not a crime. These charges chill press freedom and undermine accountability.

I urge you to drop the charges in *United States v. Levy Armstrong* (0:26-cr-00025).

Yours sincerely,