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EGYPT



TARGETED FOR SUPPORTING FAMILIES OF DETAINEES

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Marwa Arafa is a 33-year-old Egyptian human rights activist, translator and mother arbitrarily detained for over six years solely because of her peaceful activism. Marwa dedicated herself to supporting families of people detained for political reasons, as well as children who had been detained themselves. Sadly, her own daughter is now growing up without her after Marwa was arrested in front of her at just two years old. Her daughter, now aged 8, continues to struggle deeply with the separation.

Marwa is being punished for showing solidarity with detainees, speaking out against abuses facing children and helping families with the costs of prison visits. In April 2020, Egyptian security forces raided her friend's home, where Marwa was staying, and forcibly disappeared her for two weeks. She was later charged with unfounded terrorism-related offences. She now faces an unfair trial on charges that can carry life imprisonment.

Marwa's health has seriously deteriorated in prison, where she has been denied adequate healthcare. Marwa's situation highlights the abuse of terrorism laws in Egypt to target peaceful dissidents, human rights defenders and anyone seen as criticizing those in power. Marwa continues to hold onto hope, drawing strength from her love for her daughter and her belief in justice.

Call for Marwa Arafa's immediate and unconditional release and the dropping of all charges against her, as she is detained solely for exercising her human rights.

WRITE TO THE PRESIDENT OF EGYPT

Demand the immediate and unconditional release of Marwa Arafa, as she is detained solely for exercising her human rights.

ADDRESS: President of Egypt
Office of the President
Al-Ittihadiya Palace
Al Nadi, El-Montaza, Heliopolis
Cairo Governorate 4460210
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You can also send your appeals to the Egyptian embassy or diplomatic mission in your country.

SALUTATION: Your Excellency

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SEND MARWA MESSAGES OF HOPE AND SOLIDARITY TO REMIND HER SHE IS NOT ALONE

You can also draw Marwa reunited with her daughter and mother after her release, celebrating the freedom and family life she has been denied for so many years.

Please send solidarity letters/cards to your local Amnesty office. If there is no Amnesty office in your country, please send them to:

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