Marwa Arafa – Egypt

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Your Excellency,

Marwa Arafa is a human rights activist, translator and mother who has been arbitrarily detained for over six years because of her peaceful activism supporting detained children and their families. In April 2020, she was forcibly disappeared for two weeks before being charged with unfounded terrorism-related offences. She now faces an unfair trial on charges that can carry life imprisonment. She should not be detained for peacefully exercising her human rights.

I urge you to ensure that Marwa Arafa is immediately and unconditionally released and all charges against her are dropped.

Yours sincerely

Humphrey Polepole – Tanzania

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Dear President,

Humphrey Polepole, a former diplomat and outspoken government critic, has been forcibly disappeared since 6 October 2025. He was abducted from his home in Dar es Salaam by unidentified state security agents. His family found the front door broken and blood at the scene. His fate and whereabouts remain unknown. Humphrey appears to have been targeted because of his peaceful criticism of the government.

I urge you to immediately disclose Humphrey Polepole's fate and whereabouts and, if detained, ensure his immediate release, unless he is charged with a recognized criminal offence. His enforced disappearance is a serious human rights violation and a crime under international law.

Yours sincerely,

Owen Chow – Hong Kong

Chief Executive's Office
Tamar
HONG KONG

Dear Chief Executive,

Owen Chow is a former nursing student who has been convicted of “conspiracy to commit subversion” under the National Security Law after standing in unofficial “primaries” for elections to be held in Hong Kong in 2020. He was arrested in 2021 and by 2024 had been sentenced to more than 12 years in prison. His prosecution and conviction are part of a wider crackdown on the rights to freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and political participation in Hong Kong.

I urge you to immediately and unconditionally release Owen Chow and stop using the National Security Law to criminalize the peaceful exercise of human rights.

Yours sincerely