Truro and District Amnesty International Group

Minutes of meeting held on 13th July 2022, at Moresk Centre and online

1. Present: Chris Ramsey, Margaret George, Wailim Wong, Georgie Wong, plus 3 visitors.

Online: Paul Kelly, Hetty Tye, Chris Hatfield.

1. Apologies: Carole Liesse, Karen Cooper.
2. Speaker: the main part of the meeting was a talk followed by discussion. The speaker was Jessica McGarty who had recently returned from Ecumenical Accompaniment in Masafer Yatta (South Hebron Hills, in occupied Palestine.
3. Minutes of meeting held on 11th May, matters arising: the Pride event in Truro was cancelled because of high winds.
4. Correspondence and Monthly Updates for groups: Margaret had distributed the monthly groups action email.
5. AIUK AGM: Chris reported back. We had submitted votes and the conference largely supported our decisions.
6. Regional campaigns:

North Africa: Hetty was circulating an action letter.

Central America: Georgie had circulated the newsletter. She had brought a petition about the arbitrary arrests in El Salvador.

Former Soviet Union: as usual, urgent actions arrive between meetings and have been circulated.

IOPT and Lebanon: Chris would circulate the newsletter.

Death Penalty: Wailim reported on 2 British citizens captured in Ukraine and threatened with the death penalty. Russia has suspended use of the death penalty, but this is in Donbas. There is a risk that might bring back the use of the death penalty in Russia.

1. Forward planning:
2. **Future meetings**: it was agreed that the September meeting will be a business on.
3. **Xmas Stalls in Truro**: Georgie has booked the 26th Nov and 10th December.
4. Next meeting: **Wed 14th September, 7.00pm** at the **Moresk Centre, St Austell Street, Truro**, **and also via zoom**.