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ABOUT ANNA POLITKOVSKAYA
Anna Politkovskaya, special correspondent with Novaya Gazeta, Moscow, was shot dead on 7 October 2006, in the lift of her apartment building. She was known for her brave reporting of human rights abuses in Chechnya. After she began writing about the armed conflict in Chechnya and the North Caucasus in 1999, she was detained and threatened with serious reprisals, including death, on several occasions. She interviewed Russians, Chechens and members of other ethnic groups who reported being tortured or otherwise ill-treated, or who felt they had been denied justice by the authorities of the Russian Federation. She was the author of several books about the Chechen wars and Russia under Putin. The book she was working on at the time of her death, A Russian Diary, is published by Harvill Secker (2007). Her work won many awards, including the 2001 Amnesty Global Award for Human Rights Journalism.

Amnesty International believes that the handling of the criminal investigation into her death showed that there was little political will to bring to justice those who ordered the killing.

In 2006 the practice of ‘fitting up’ people as terrorists has supplanted any genuine anti-terrorist struggle… Recently, at Russia’s request, Ukraine handed over a certain Beslan Gadaev to Moscow. He is a Chechen and was arrested at the start of August in Crimea during a document check… Around lunchtime, a police man in civilian clothing came up to me and told me some journalists had come to see me and that I had to confess to three murders and a robbery. He said that if I didn’t agree they would repeat everything (the torture) and would break me by sexually assaulting me in some way. I agreed to comply and gave an interview to the journalists and the police forced me to testify that the injuries I had received from them had been sustained in the course of an escape attempt… An extract from Anna Politkovskaya’s last piece.

The Independent, 13 October 2006

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This exhibition is inspired by all those individuals across the globe who have endured the failure to respect human rights and yet who have chosen to exercise their right to peaceful free expression despite the risk. It highlights 12 people from different countries who have been persecuted for their rights and yet who have chosen to risk. It highlights 12 people from different countries who have endured the failure to respect human rights and yet who have chosen to exercise their right to peaceful free expression despite the risk.

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CASE-SPECIFIC MATERIALS

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Dear Minister of Lands

Please take immediate steps to stop the forced evictions of residents living in the Deep Sea Settlement. Since the illegal eviction in 2005, residents of Deep Sea have faced threats of eviction and houses are demolished every few months with impunity.

Please ensure you:
- prevent all further illegal forced evictions of the community and others like it throughout Kenya;
- enforce the law against government officials or third parties who illegally attempt to evict people from the settlement, or intimidate them or damage their property in any way;
- introduce a moratorium on mass evictions.

I also urge you to ensure that Kenya upholds its obligations under international law by providing the residents of Deep Sea with adequate housing, health care and education services, as well as a proper sewage system, electricity and clean drinking water.

Yours faithfully,
[Name]
[Address]

Dear Premier Stelmach

The traditional way of life of the Lubicon Cree has been almost destroyed by large-scale oil and gas development on their land – yet the Lubicon have had no share in the wealth generated by that development. Their consistent objections to the exploitation of the land have been routinely ignored and no real engagement appears to have taken place, despite the concerns expressed by international human rights bodies.

I urge the Government of Alberta not to license any new development activity on Lubicon land against the wishes of the Lubicon Cree while there is still a need for the federal government to return to negotiations with the Lubicon to find a just resolution to the land dispute which fully upholds the rights of the Lubicon Cree.

Yours faithfully,
[Name]
[Address]

Estimado Señor Ministro:

La tasa de mortalidad materna en el Perú es preocupantemente alta y desproporcionadamente concentrada en zonas pobres, rurales e indígenas. Muchas de estas muertes podrían ser evitadas con voluntad política, financiación adecuada y mejor acceso a los servicios públicos.

El gobierno peruano debería tomar sin demora las siguientes medidas para afrontar las desigualdades:
- Mejorar la ayuda económica en las zonas rurales que históricamente no recibieron financiación adecuada.
- Garantizar el acceso de ayuda ginecológica de emergencia para todas las mujeres.
- Garantizar que las comunidades pobres, rurales e indígenas participen en la elección de los servicios de salud materna que necesiten y quieran.
- Asegurar que las mujeres de estas comunidades participen en la creación y funcionamiento de estos servicios, que deben ser accesibles y culturalmente apropiados.

Atentamente
[Name]
[Address]
a million signatures

equality for women
in iran

We are a nation bursting with female ability … but one hobbled by legalised prejudice and social bigotry

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The Women of Iran launched a campaign for equality to change discriminatory laws. They campaign peacefully and legally but are subject to arbitrary arrest and imprisonment. They are seeking 1 million signatures from Iranians in support of their campaign – and now they have also started a mirror petition of non-Iranians to build solidarity.

Please show your support by signing this petition. Please note that your name will be added to a petition count and your name, town/city and message may be shown on Amnesty International’s websites.

We, the undersigned, representing international women’s groups and activists, human rights organisations, university and academic centres, and social justice initiatives, express our support for Iranian women in their effort to reform laws and achieve equal status within the Iranian legal system.

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