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Your Excellency,

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We ask for the immediate release of **Phuntsok Wangdu**. He has committed no recognizable crime, and yet has been the victim of various forms of torture whilst imprisoned. Reportedly he tried to commit suicide on several occasions to escape the extreme harassment and torture.

We therefore call for the immediate release of **Phuntsok Wangdu** in view of his precarious state of health on medical parole or to give him at least access to medical treatment while detained in line with international human rights standards on the treatment of prisoners.

We also ask you to make a commitment that the torture and maltreatment of all prisoners arrested for counterrevolutionary offences or endangering state security in Tibetan areas will cease. We further request that further independent investigation into prison conditions in Drapchi be made and into reports that prisoners have been tortured in detention, with the investigation's findings to be made public.

Finally I urge the People's Republic of China to respect freedom of thought, conscience and religion as stated in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the UN International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights to which China is a party to. Thanking you for giving attention to this matter. Yours faithfully,

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