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SENTENCED TO LIFE**



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Dear President Hu Jintao,

Tenzin Delek Rinpoche (Ch: A'an Zhaxi), a revered Tibetan religious leader, is currently serving a life sentence in Mianyang Prison, Sichuan Province. He was arrested in 2002 and charged with "causing explosions" and "inciting separatism". His trial was held in secret without due process and though no evidence was ever provided to substantiate the charges, Tenzin Delek Rinpoche was given a suspended death sentence which was later commuted to a life sentence.

Despite harassment and intimidation from Chinese officials, Tenzin Delek Rinpoche devoted his life to helping his fellow Tibetans and working tirelessly to preserve the Tibetan identity and culture. He was a strong supporter of preserving Tibet's environment and helped to set up schools and religious institutions in his community.

Tenzin Delek Rinpoche has been wrongly imprisoned. He has been persecuted for his support of the Dalai Lama, his promotion of Tibetan Buddhism and for his cultural and social development work in Tibet.

Recent news indicates that Tenzin Delek Rinpoche is in ill-health, with high blood pressure, heart and leg problems. It is believed he has been denied his request for Tibetan medicine. I urge you to ensure he receives the medical treatment of his choosing.

I join tens of thousands of people worldwide in calling on you to immediately and unconditionally release Tenzin Delek Rinpoche.

Yours sincerely,

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President Hu Jintao
c/o The Chinese Embassy