

Your Excellency ;

I would like to urge you to release Merzoug Touati who has been imprisoned solely for peaceful online posts immediately and unconditionally and ensure that his conviction is quashed, as he is a prisoner of conscience detained solely for peacefully expressing his views online.

Immediately, I would like to urge you to end his solitary confinement and ensure his detention conditions are in line with international standards, including free access to water.

I would like to urge you ensure he has adequate access to qualified health professionals providing health care in compliance with medical ethics, including the principles of confidentiality, autonomy, and informed consent.

Yours respectfully