

I am writing this letter to express my grave concern for Rania Alabbasi and her husband Abdulrahman Yasin, and their six children. They were reportedly arrested on March 9, 2013 and have been detained ever since.

I would like to ask Your Excellency to reveal what has happened to them and grant them immediate access to their family and lawyer.

I would also like to urge you to ensure that they are protected from torture and other ill-treatment, and give them any medical attention they may require.

Lastly, but not the least, I would like to request Your Excellency to release the six children without delay and to release Abdulrahman Yasin and Rania Alabbasi unless they are charged promptly with an internationally recognizable offence and tried in accordance with international fair trial standards.

Thank you for your prompt attention to the above.

Sincerely yours,