

I am writing to express my grave concern on Lahpai Gam who has been discharged from hospital following some improvements to his health and returned to a prison in Kachin State. He is a prisoner of conscience because he maintains that he is solely a farmer and not a member of the KIA and has never signed a confession letter nor planted the bombs.

Could you immediately and unconditionally release Lahpai Gam and all other prisoners of conscience in Myanmar? Pending his release, please ensure Lahpai Gam has prompt access to necessary health care and treatment and ensure he has the right to access his medical records and request a second medical opinion.

Lastly please initiate an independent, impartial and effective investigation into allegations that Lahpai Gam was tortured in detention and bring those responsible to justice in trials which meet international fair trial standards without recourse to the death penalty.

Your attention on his matter would be highly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,