

Dear General;

I am writing this to express my grave concern on two farm workers, Sawin and Sukma, who were arrested and detained by the police on 24 September 2018 for “insulting the national flag”, which they deny doing. Both men have been protesting the development of a coal power plant near their farmland in West Java Province. Sawin and Sukma are prisoners of conscience detained solely for exercising their human rights.

Please immediately and unconditionally release Sawin and Sukma as they have been detained solely for peacefully exercising their human rights. While being detained, they should be protected from torture and other ill-treatment while in detention, and have regular access to their families, and lawyers of their choice and also ensure that environmental activists, journalists, academics, members of political opposition, human rights defenders and others can peacefully exercise their human rights without fear of punishment, reprisal or intimidation.

Sincerely,