

I am writing this to express my grave concern on Nguyễn Văn Túc whose health is quickly deteriorating to the point where he is fainting on a daily basis, yet the authorities continue to deny him adequate medical treatment and have moved him to a remote prison, making family visits much more difficult. He is a prisoner of conscience.

I call on you immediately to provide adequate medical treatment to Nguyễn Văn Túc in full accordance with the UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules).

I call on you to release Nguyễn Văn Túc immediately and unconditionally as he is a prisoner of conscience, imprisoned solely for exercising his rights to freedom of peaceful association and expression.

And I call on you to ensure that pending his release, Nguyễn Văn Túc is protected from torture and other ill-treatment including through deliberate denial of adequate medical treatment.

Yours respectfully,