

I am writing this to express my grave concern on opposition youth leader, Christian Lumu Lukusa, who has been in arbitrary detention since 22 November 2017, when he was arrested in Kinshasa. He was arrested by men believed to be agents of the National Intelligence Agency (Agence Nationale de Renseignements, ANR). Family visits have been restricted and he has not been allowed access to a lawyer.

I believe that the DRC authorities to immediately and unconditionally release Mr Christian Lumu Lukusa.

I am calling on them to ensure that pending his release, Mr Christian Lumu Lukusa is allowed access to a lawyer of his choice and any medical treatment he requires;

I am urging them to ensure that Mr Christian Lumu Lukusa is not subjected to torture and other ill-treatment while in detention.

Your attention on this matter would be highly appreciated.

Sincerely,