

Dear Director;

I am writing to express my grave concern on

Li Yingqiang is among about 100 members of the Early Rain Covenant Church in Chengdu, Sichuan province, who have been detained after a raid by the police on 9 December 2018. Without access to his family or a lawyer of his choice, he is at risk of torture or other ill-treatment.

I should do ask you to release Li Yingqiang unconditionally and immediately unless there is sufficient credible and admissible evidence that he has committed an internationally recognized offence and is granted a fair trial in line with international standards.

Please ensure that he is protected from torture and other ill-treatment while in detention and that he is allowed, without delay, regular access to a lawyer of his choice and his family.

Your attention on this matter would be highly appreciated.

Sincerely,