Director Li Dengquan

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Dear Director Li:

I am writing to express my grave concern for **Li Qiaochu** (李翘楚), who has been held incommunicado since being taken away by police on 6 February 2021. According to the detention notice that her parents were summoned by Beijing police to sign, Li might be facing charges related to subversion merely for engaging in peaceful activism.

It is alarming to learn that Li has been detained without due process and that she has had no access to her lawyer and family. On 19 February 2021, Linyi Municipal Public Security Bureau denied her lawyer's request to meet with Li.

Without any access to Li Qiaochu, it is unclear whether she has prompt, regular, and unrestricted access to medical care. Suffering from depression since June 2019, there are fears for Li's mental and physical health if she does not get the care she needs in an appropriate and prompt manner.

Li Qiaochu is a prominent researcher on labour rights and has been a peaceful advocate against gender-based violence for many years. It is deeply upsetting that Li Qiaochu has been detained on suspicion of such serious charges solely for speaking about and reporting human rights violations.

Therefore, I urge you to:

- Immediately and unconditionally release Li Qiaochu, unless there is sufficient credible and admissible evidence that she has committed an internationally recognized offence and is granted a fair trial in line with international standards.
- Pending her release, ensure that Li Qiaochu has regular, unrestricted access to family and lawyers of her choice and is not subjected to torture and other ill-treatment.
- Allow her prompt, regular and unrestricted access to medical care on request, or as necessary.

Sincerely,