

Your Excellency,

in Vietnam blogging has developed into a new medium for citizens to discuss issues of national concern and social injustices. But in past years an increased number of internet dissidents who belong to an internet based pro-democracy movement, known as Bloc 8406, have been detained or imprisoned. Bloc 8406 is a loose network of individuals who stand up for freedom and democracy as declared in their Manifesto from 8/4/2006.

Several regulations on blogging prohibit dissemination of anti-government material, and „undermining national security“.

I urge you to take action to immediately and unconditionally release prisoners of conscience and reform the ambiguous provisions relating to national security and ensure they are removed or brought into line with Vietnam’s obligation under international law.

Yours sincerely,

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