

URGENT ACTION

ACTIVIST PUT ON TRIAL, AWAITS VERDICT

Chadian activist Djerlar Miankeol went on trial on 30 June. The verdict is expected to be announced on 7 July. He is a prisoner of conscience.

Activist **Djerlar Miankeol**, Director of Association Ngaoubourandi (ASNGA), was detained from 15 to 22 June at the prison of Moundou. Because he was showing symptoms including a high fever, his lawyers and family asked on 21 June that a doctor examine him. Two days later he was admitted to the regional hospital of Moundou with severe malaria and typhoid.

Djerlar Miankeol's trial began on 30 June. When it was over, the President of the High Court of Justice announced that the court's decision would be communicated to the parties on 7 July.

Djerlar Miankeol and his family have asked for their thanks to be passed to all those who took action on his behalf, and would like to ask them to send more appeals.

Please write immediately in French, English or your own language:

- Calling on the Chadian authorities to release Djerlar Miankeol immediately and unconditionally;
- Urging them to ensure that Djerlar Miankeol is not tortured or otherwise ill-treated and has access to a lawyer of his choice, his family and any medical attention he may require;
- Urging them to end all harassment of Djerlar Miankeol and all other human rights activists and defenders in Chad, in particular judicial harassment.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS BEFORE 13 AUGUST 2015 TO:

Minister of Human Rights

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Salutation: Dear Minister

President of the High Court of Justice of

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Salutation: Dear President of the High Court of Justice of Moundou

Also send copies to diplomatic representatives accredited to your country. Please insert local diplomatic addresses below:

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Please check with your section office if sending appeals after the above date.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Djeralar Miankeol is a Chadian activist and Director of Director of Association Ngaoubourandi (ASNGA). Ngaoubourandi and ASNGA mean "rainbow of hope" and "enough conflict" in local languages. The organization's activities are focused on opposing land-grabbing, and oil production issues.

Prison conditions in Chad are deplorable that they amount to cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment. Prison cells are severely overcrowded, and food and drinking water are inadequate and sometimes unavailable. Prisoners depend on family and friends to bring them adequate food and other basic necessities such as clothes, soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

The prison of Moundou, where Djeralar Miankeol is held, is 20km away from his house. His family have to travel this distance every day, to bring him food, water and other necessities.

Name: Djeralar Miankeol

Gender m/f: m

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