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LGBTI-RIGHTS IN TUNISIA

Your Excellency,

In a recently published report Amnesty International has documented how the Tunisian authorities frequently fail to duly investigate and punish homophobic and transphobic hate crimes. Likewise, gay men in Tunisia are often arrested without any evidence that they have engaged in same-sex relations and without hardly ever having been caught in the act. Amnesty International has spoken to LGBTI people in Tunisia who have been stabbed or slashed with knives, kicked in the head, burnt with cigarette butts and threatened with death because of their gender identity or sexual orientation. Their reports to the police were often dismissed or ignored because of provisions in Article 230.

THEREFORE, WE URGE YOU WITH ALL RESPECT TO

- publicly condemn all forms of sexual and gender-based violence against LGBTI people, whether committed by state or non-state actors in the home, the community, public sphere or detention.
- immediately and unconditionally release anyone detained because of their actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity and expression.
- repeal Article 230 of the Penal Code criminalizing consensual same-sex sexual activity.
- immediately stop the use of forced anal examinations against people accused of same-sex sexual relations as a means to obtain 'proof' of anal sex.
- ensure that all complaints of sexual and gender-based violence against LGBTI people are taken seriously by the authorities, and are promptly and independently investigated without discrimination.
 Yours faithfully,

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