

His/Her Excellency Insert Name of Country's Ambassador

Permanent Representative of Insert Country's Name to the United Nations

I am writing to request your immediate action.

On April 1st, it was reported by the Russian newspaper, Novaya Gazeta, of the disappearance of approximately 100 homosexual men in Chechnya, and that their lives might be in great jeopardy.

The men are being held under shameful conditions in concentration camps and are subjected to heinous abuse.

The newspaper has reported three men dead, and there is also a great concern for a possibly larger number of casualties.

Authorities in Chechnya dismiss the news and are not investigating or taking action against the crimes committed within their boundaries.

The UN has claimed responsibility for the protection of human rights, and to act against crimes against humanity.

As a Permanent Representative of Insert Country's Name to the United Nations, I call upon you to address these issues:

- a. Immediate action of inquiry into the reports of the abduction and murder of men in Chechnya, whose only crime is their sexual orientation.
- b. Immediate action to ensure the safety of the citizens of Chechnya in mortal danger for their sexual orientation.
- c. To censure any discrimination carried by the government of Chechnya.
- d. Remind the Russian and Chechen authorities of their international obligation regarding the protection of human rights, the responsibility to prohibit any discrimination, to investigate and prosecute hate crimes committed within their borders.

I hope you will take my request into consideration. It is time to put an end to hate, unlawful persecution and murder of innocent people.

Yours sincerely,

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