



gemeente **Oosterhout**

Minister of Public Security
Tô Lâm
44 Yet Kiêu St. Hoàn Kiem District
Hà Nội, VIETNAM

Datum	Uw kenmerk	Zaaknummer	In behandeling bij
1 maart 2019	n.v.t.		M. Verschuren tel. 14 0162

Onderwerp

Dear Minister

We write to express our concern about human rights defender Trần Thị Nga who was convicted and sentenced to nine years in prison and five years house arrest in July 2017 for “conducting propaganda against the state”, after her involvement in peaceful protests. She has been brutally beaten up in prison and has received death threats by other inmates. It appears that the attacks have been orchestrated by prison authorities to punish her. The prison authorities have also repeatedly refused Trần Thị Nga the right to meet with her family.

We urge you to release Trần Thị Nga immediately and unconditionally. Please ensure that pending her release, she is protected from torture and other ill-treatment, and that all allegations are effectively investigated and those responsible brought to account.

Lastly, we ask you to ensure that Trần Thị Nga has regular access to her family and lawyer of her choice, as well as to the adequate medical care she may require.

We thank you for your attention to this urgent matter and are confident of your good will and sense of justice.

The Municipal Council of Oosterhout, the Netherlands,

, town-clerk

, Mayor

Wij verzoeken u om bij alle communicatie rondom deze zaak altijd het zaaknummer te vermelden.

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