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親愛的王局長：

我來信向您表達我深切的憂慮，我很擔憂維吾爾模特兒加帕爾 (Merdan Ghappar) 近期遭實施強制措施的情形。加帕爾於 2020 年 1 月在廣東省佛山被帶走，且自 2020 年 3 月以來，再也沒有任何消息。

先前，加帕爾發布的消息於社群媒體上傳開，其中包含令人非常擔憂的細節和照片，顯示出其拘留情形極為惡劣。他形容拘留中心人滿為患、衛生狀況極差、缺乏適當的疫情保護措施、甚至有尖叫聲從審訊室傳出來。2020 年 3 月，從加帕爾自拍的影片中可以看見他被銬在房間床上。然而自此之後，再也沒有人見過他或聽過他的消息。

新疆當局一直到國際媒體開始報導加帕爾的案子之後，才揭露了關於他的部分消息，對此我感到相當不放心。根據當局的書面聲明，他們現已將加帕爾移至他的家鄉庫車縣 (Kuqa) 拘禁。加帕爾疑似因攻擊醫護人員遭實施「強制措施」，並且為了防止他自殘及過度反抗警方而將他銬在床上。

我擔心加帕爾傳出的影片和訊息是他仍遭拘禁的唯一原因。由於他無法和家人或委任律師聯繫，因此我對於他的拘留狀況以及身心健康感到非常憂心。我擔心他可能遭受酷刑或其他不人道對待，若出現這樣的情形將違反國際法。

因此，我在此敦促您：

- 釋放加帕爾或立即以國際認可的刑事罪名起訴他，和平行使人權不得作為起訴他的原因，並且應按照國際公正審判標準進行審判；
- 在釋放加帕爾之前，應公開他的現況，允許他與家人和委任律師聯繫，並確保他不會遭受酷刑和其他不人道對待。

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Dear Director Wang:

I am writing to express my concern about Merdan Ghappar (麦尔丹·阿巴), a Uyghur model who has currently been placed under “compulsory measures” (强制措施). He was taken away in January 2020 in Foshan, Guangdong Province, and has not been seen or heard from since March 2020.

Messages from Merdan Ghappar that have circulated publicly on social media include distressing details and photos describing his poor detention conditions. He described overcrowding, poor hygiene, insufficient COVID-19 protection measures and screaming from a presumed interrogation room. A self-taken video from March 2020 showed him shackled to a bed in a room. No one has seen or heard from him since then.

I do not find it reassuring that Xinjiang authorities disclosed limited details about Merdan Ghappar' s situation only after his case was raised by the international media. According to their written statement, Merdan Ghappar was transferred to his hometown Kuqa by the authorities. He is apparently being held under “compulsory measures” for assaulting health care workers and was handcuffed to his bed to stop him from self-harm and over-reaction against police.

I am concerned that Merdan Ghappar remains in detention solely because of the videos and messages he sent. With no access to his family, or a lawyer of his choice, I am also gravely concerned about his condition and wellbeing, as I fear he is at risk of torture or other ill-treatment in violation of international law.

I therefore call on you to:

- Release Merdan Ghappar or charge him promptly with an internationally recognized criminal offence and not for the peaceful exercise of his human rights and try him in line with international fair trial standards;
- Pending his release, disclose Merdan Ghappar' s whereabouts, allow him access to his family and a lawyer of his choice, and ensure he is not subjected to torture and other ill-treatment.

Yours sincerely,