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APPEAL to the Ukrainian Government to guarantee adequate medical treatment and decent detainment conditions for Yulia Tymoshenko

Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko was jailed this October for seven years. Recently, media sources have reported on growing health problems, which have prevented Ms Tymoshenko from attending the court hearing. Her detention conditions are also a cause for concern and have been criticized by the Ukrainian Ombudswoman for human rights.

We, the undersigned, ask the Ukrainian Authorities to guarantee humane detention conditions, including, in particular, access to medical treatment, appropriate to the detainee's state of health.

We also ask the Ukrainian Authorities to guarantee an independent, fair, impartial and transparent appeal procedure for Yulia Tymoshenko, and, in view of the forthcoming elections, to ensure that she and other opposition leaders are allowed to exercise their right to fully participate in the political process.

We condemn the politically motivated trial against Ms Tymoshenko, and call for the de-criminalisation of those articles of the Ukrainian Constitution that were used in Soviet times to persecute political opponents.

Sincerely yours,

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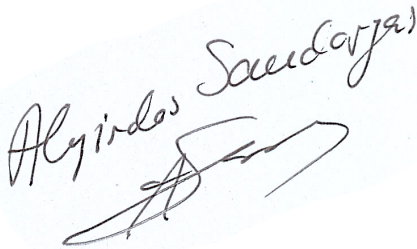
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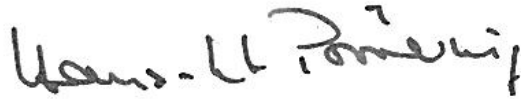
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