

Lincoln Amnesty International Groups

Newsletter June 2021

Our Comeback Meeting

Jessica, Pat, Ken and Steve met at the Arboretum Café earlier this month. It was great to be back in company.

We wrote letters on behalf of women victims and Karla Pontigo in Mexico, Eren Keskin in Turkey and children being separated from their parents in China.

Membership Subscriptions

If you would like to subscribe to the local group please bring £10 (fully waged) or £5 (unwaged) to a meeting or should you wish to pay by Bank Transfer our Group's details are: Lincoln Amnesty International 08-90-32 Acc Number 50427413

Give Rohingya refugees voice in the decisions that affect them



In 2017 nearly a million refugees crossed into Bangladesh. Most are still living in appalling conditions in overcrowded camps. We urge the Bangladesh government to protect, respect and fulfil the rights of these refugees, including ensuring their participation in decisions that affect them.

Amnesty has documented human rights violations faced by the refugees, including their rights to health, education and access to information. Amnesty is concerned by the confinement of refugees on a remote silt island that is prone to floods and is vulnerable to cyclones. In April at least 15 refugees were killed in fires.

The government has failed to investigate extrajudicial executions. Amnesty has received reports of human trafficking and sexual and gender-based violence. Amnesty calls on the Bangladesh government to ensure the refugees are included in decision-making on issues that will affect their lives and rights.

There are actions and petitions on the AIUK website if you wish to take action.

Tran Huynh Duy Thuc – Viet Nam

Please send off the letter attached if you can. Email option is officeldn@vietnamembassy.org.uk

Tran Huynh Duy Thuc was imprisoned in 2010 for writing about economic reform, better governance and improvements in education. He has called for greater democracy, reconciliation, transparency and respect for human rights in his country.

He has been sentenced to 16 years in prison to be followed by 5 years of house arrest.

Alternative Christmas Market – 30 October 2021

Jessica has already received six positive responses for stalls at the Bailgate Methodist Church Hall. We will continue to plan and publicise the Market in the next months.

Next Meeting

Our next meet up is imminent.

We will meet at The Arboretum Café, close to the Monks Road entrance at 1pm. Please feel free to drop in. We hope to see members of Plastic Free Lincoln to co-ordinate the Market arrangements for October 30th.



His Excellency Mr An Ngoc Tran
Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
12-14 Victoria Road
London W8 5RD

Your Excellency

I am appealing to you on behalf of Tran Huynh Duy Thuc.

Please work to reduce his sentence and allow regular access to his family and appropriate medical care.

I urge you to work to allow prison visits by foreign diplomats and ensure that he is held in conditions that comply with United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners

I appeal to you to work for human rights in Viet Nam and the freedom to express an opinion on issues of importance for the future development of a country.

Yours