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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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Dear Director,

I wish to express my concern about Huang Qi, the founder of Sichuan-based website "64 Tianwang", who went missing for over two weeks after he was taken from his home in Chengdu by public security officers on 28 November 2016. The Mianyang City Public Security Bureau has notified Huang Qi's family that he has been formally arrested for "leaking state secrets". No further explanation about the allegations was provided. He has not been granted access to a lawyer.

I urge you to immediately allow Huang Qi regular and effective access to his family and a lawyer of his choice, and to ensure that he is tried in line with international fair trial standards.

I further call on you to ensure that he is protected from torture and other ill-treatment while in detention, and that he is allowed, without delay, unrestricted access to medical care on request or as necessary.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,