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His Majesty King Salman bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud
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The Custodian of the two Holy Mosques
Office of His Majesty the King
Royal Court Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia Women's Rights Defenders Should be Released

Your Majesty,

On behalf of the Thompson Rivers University Students' Union we are writing to urge you to release the following three human rights activists, **Iman al-Nafjan**, **Aziza al-Yousef**, and **Loujain al-Hathloul**, in regards to their peaceful human rights work concerning women's right to drive and the abolishment of the male guardianship system.

We are deeply troubled by reports from Amnesty International of the arrest and incommunicado detainment of **Iman al-Nafjan**, **Aziza al-Yousef**, and **Loujain al-Hathloul**.

We strongly believe that you and the Royal Court of Riyadh have a responsibility to investigate these reports and to ensure the safety of these women. These arrests are a continuation on the stifling of freedom of expression, association, and assembly. We urge you to re-evaluate the case and take action to ensure the safety of **Iman al-Nafjan**, **Aziza al-Yousef**, and **Loujain al-Hathloul**, that the whereabouts are made public, that they are given access to their family and a lawyer of their choosing without delay, that they are released immediately and unconditionally, and to ensure that they are protected from torture and other ill-treatment throughout their detention.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: His Excellency Naif Bandir A. Alsudairy, Dr. Bandar Mohammed Abdullah al-Aiban



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