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Dear Director,

I am gravely concerned about the human rights situation in Tawu County, Kham in eastern Tibet (Ch: Daofu, Kardze Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, Sichuan Province). Following the August 15th self-immolation of 29-year-old Tsewang Norbu, a monk from Nyitso monastery, thousands of armed Chinese troops have surrounded the monastery, harassing the monks and interrogating members of the local community. In recent weeks, three Tibetans from Tawu County have been arbitrarily detained by the Public Security Bureau and their current whereabouts remain unknown.

I call on you to immediately end the siege at Nyitso monastery and order the unconditional withdrawal of troops and other security forces from Tawu County. I also call for the immediate release of Norbu, Gyaltzen, and a third Tibetan, as well as anyone else arbitrarily detained in conjunction with Tsewang Norbu's self-immolation.

These arrests and the ongoing harassment of monks and local Tibetans are a direct violation of their basic human rights, including religious freedom. Your continued crackdown in Tawu only serves to further tarnish China's international reputation.

The crackdown on the people in Tawu county will be viewed by the outside world as proof that the Chinese government does not respect the fundamental rights of the Tibetan people to freely express their opinion and expression as enshrined under Article 19 of the UDHR.

I call for greater human rights and openness in China - and in particular demand an end to your government's violent rule in Tibet. Governments worldwide, human rights organizations, and the global public overwhelmingly support the calls for freedom by Tibetans.

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