

December 17<sup>th</sup> 2011

Rt. Hon. William Hague  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office  
King Charles Street  
London

*Release and Repatriation of Yunus Rahmatullah, ISN 1433*

Dear Mr. Hague,

I am the cousin of Yunus Rahmatullah. Yunus is a Pakistani man held without charge or trial in the US detention facility at Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan.

In February 2004 he was picked up by the British Forces in Iraq, handed over to the Americans and subsequently rendered to Bagram.

On December 13<sup>th</sup> 2011, Yunus was granted a writ of *habeas corpus* by the Court of Appeals in your country. I understand from his legal team that the honourable judges have directed your government to secure his release from Bagram.

Words cannot express how happy we are to hear this much awaited news! I have not been able to sleep or eat for the last two days as I am over the moon about the possibility of hugging my brother Yunus on December 21<sup>st</sup> 2011. Yunus's mother's tears of sadness have turned into tears of joy. Indeed, we are all praying for Yunus and those like yourself who play an essential role in giving Yunus the justice he has been denied for far too long.

Given your public commitment to human rights issues, I am confident that you will ensure Yunus's safe and prompt return. The purpose of this letter is not to lecture you on the morality of my cousin's detention and rendition but to appeal to you to do everything in your power to bring Yunus home to us. We have suffered enough these past eight years and wish to move on with Yunus present in our lives.

I understand that Yunus is in American custody but I also know that you have the authority to get him back. I have given assurances to Yunus's father as well that you are going send him home. My family and indeed my fellow countrymen all stand behind you. Please don't let us down.

Please do not hesitate to contact my legal representative, Clive Stafford Smith at [cstaffordsmith@googlemail.com](mailto:cstaffordsmith@googlemail.com) or (0)1308459554

May peace be on you,

Munir Ahmed

