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## GAO ZHISHENG

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Dear Minister,

On 12th August 2017 the prominent lawyer and human rights activist Gao Zhisheng was reported missing by his family, but the authorities have refused to reveal any information about his situation.

Gao Zhisheng was repeatedly arrested before and detained as a nonviolent prisoner. In fact, he criticized Xi Jinping and the Communist Party in June 2017, so it seems that he has presently become a victim of enforced disappearance and is possibly in danger of being maltreated

I urge you to disclose the whereabouts of Gao Zhisheng and ensure that he is released immediately and unconditionally. He must also be granted regular unrestricted contact with his family, lawyer, and appropriate medical care until his release.

Yours sincerely,