



Parliament of Western Australia

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H.E. Mr Nguyen Xuan Phuc
Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam
01 Hoang Ha Tham Street, Ba Dinh District
Ha Noi
Vietnam

Dear Prime Minister

I write to you to bring attention to the case of Can Thi Theu, a land rights activist who was arrested by Vietnamese authorities on June 10, 2016 in Hoa Binh Province.

Theu was charged with 'causing public disorder' under Article 245 of the Vietnamese Penal Code and is currently detained in Hoa Lo Detention Centre in Hanoi.

I have been informed that Theu recently conducted a 13 day hunger strike to oppose her detention and am concerned about her current health and wellbeing.

I respectfully request you to release Can Thi Theu and honour your commitments to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, of which Vietnam is a signatory.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Britza', written over a horizontal line.

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