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Hon. Ban Ki-moon
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Dear Secretary General,

We write to express our grave concern regarding the treatment of Iran's main opposition group, the PMOI, and the residents of Camp Ashraf in Iraq.

We have watched as the dissidents within this camp have shown the upmost respect for law and order in the face of the most brutal atrocities being conducted against them.

They have been tormented and beaten in their home of 25 years, and we have witnessed as some 50 residents have died in the most horrendous circumstances.

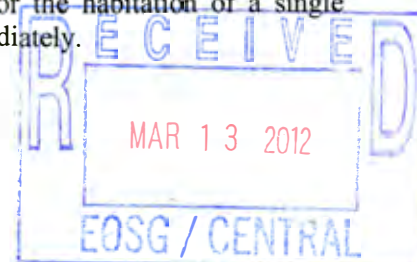
The entire world is now aware of what these people have had to endure and the world's attention is focused on what happens next.

A further 400 residents have now moved to Camp Liberty. This brings the total to 800 residents being moved to date. The residents of Camp Ashraf have time and again made concessions in order to bring this dilemma to a peaceful end.

Yet the international community and the government of Iraq have not kept their promises to the residents. They were promised that Camp Liberty would be a suitable living environment for the 3,300 residents who are supposed to move there. In reality they have been relocated to what is by all accounts a concentration camp. Iraqi soldiers are still placed within the camp perimeters and are in control of numerous security cameras which are being used to invade the residents' privacy.

The residents have been denied access to their families and lawyers. Even a prison provides this right, but not at Camp Liberty. The residents do not have access to mains-fed water and are now suffering because of this.

The entire infrastructure of the Camp is inadequate for the habitation of a single human being, let alone 800. This must be rectified immediately.



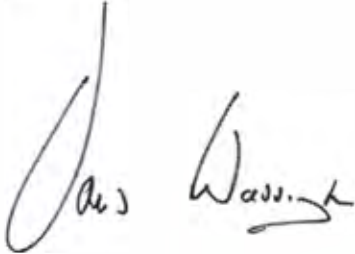
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It is time that you stepped in to make sure that international law is upheld and that the reputation of the UN is saved.

There should be no more transfer of residents until the vast majority of the existing 800 are relocated to third countries as refugees, only then can the new camp house further residents from Ashraf.

It is imperative that you use your considerable diplomatic presence to ensure that the transfer of the residents to third countries starts immediately.

Yours sincerely,



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