

Tilburg, January 17, 2009

A call for the release of Mrs. Drenicheva

To the President of Kazakhstan, N.Nazarbayev

I have heard about the case of Mrs. Drenivecha, who was convicted to two years of imprisonment for explaining the ideas and principles of the Unification Church, that was founded by the Reverend Sun Myung Moon.

This verdict, it seems to me, cannot reflect the true nature of the Kazakhstan tradition, where religion and therefore also the freedom to exercise one's faith, plays an important role.

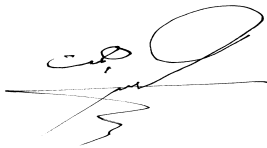
Freedom of religion and the practice thereof implies also the possibility of teaching and explaining the contents of its doctrine.

I understand that this is exactly what Mrs. Drenicheva has been doing.

I therefore think, that this verdict is extremely harsh, especially when it comes in a country, that has been known for its tolerance on its variety of expressions of the different religions that it harbors, and I therefore make a plea to honour this great tradition and let true justice take place.

Sincerely yours,

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