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Justice for Dilorom

STOP TORTUREAmnesty International

DiloromHit in the face

Dilorom Abdukadirova fled Uzbekistan in 2005 after security forces killed hundreds at a largely peaceful protest she had attended. The vegetable seller returned in 2010 to her desperately missed family, only to be charged with attempting to overthrow the constitutional order and illegally leaving the country. After two unfair trials she was sentenced to 18 years. In court relatives said Dilorom looked unusually thin, had a bruised face and was not wearing her headscarf, something she would not have done voluntarily. Amnesty considers Dilorom to be a prisoner of conscience.

All over the world governments are torturing people like you and me. Thirty years ago Amnesty International helped to secure an historic global ban. But the governments that signed up to it have failed to live up to their promises. They still use torture to obtain 'confessions', silence opposition – or simply to punish.



President Islam Karimov

Dear President,

I call on the Uzbek authorities to:

- Drop all charges against Dilorom Abdukadirova and release her immediately and unconditionally.
- Conduct a prompt, impartial and effective investigation into the allegations that Dilorom Abdukadirova was tortured in custody and ensure that anyone found responsible is brought to justice.
- Allow the UN Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment to visit Uzbekistan.

Yours sincerely,

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