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Global demonstrations to demand human rights and justice in Pakistan

Thousands of Amnesty International members are joining with journalists and lawyers in Pakistan and members of the International Federation of Journalists in a global day of action against the current assault on human rights and justice in Pakistan.

On Thursday 15 November, Amnesty International is organising demonstrations and other events in several countries including Australia, Canada, India, Nepal, Norway, Paraguay, Switzerland, Turkey, the US and UK.

In London, Amnesty International's Secretary General Irene Khan will lead a delegation of top lawyers, judges and journalists to present a petition at the High Commission of Pakistan.

The petition, addressed to General Pervez Musharraf, will demand full respect for freedom of expression in Pakistan, the release of all those arbitrarily detained under the State of Emergency, reinstatement of the independent judiciary, justice for the victims of enforced disappearance and no introduction of military tribunals for civilians.

Amnesty International is also calling for all other states to suspend immediately all forms of security cooperation, including military assistance, until Pakistan lifts the emergency measures which violate international human rights law.

When:

Thursday, 15 November
Gathering at 16:30 GMT
Formal handover of petition at 17.00 GMT

Where:

Outside the High Commission of Pakistan,
34-36 Lowndes Square,
London SW1X 9JN

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Note to Editors

Amnesty International spokespeople are available for interview ahead of the demonstration in London
Irene Khan will be available for interviews before and after handing in the petition to the High Commission of Pakistan.

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For more information please call Amnesty International's press office in London, UK, on +44 20 7413 5566

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