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Romania: Amnesty International delivers petition to Prime Minister

Invitation to breakfast for journalists and flash-mob

On Wednesday 16 October, Amnesty International and Romani activists from communities in Cluj-Napoca, Baia Mare and Piatra Neamt will deliver a petition with more than 25 thousand signatures from 85 countries to the office of the Romanian Prime Minister Victor Ponta urging him to end forced evictions and to protect the right to adequate housing in national legislation.

At a breakfast with journalists earlier that day, Amnesty International delegates will present the petition focusing on the consequences of forced evictions for Roma and others who are often left homeless, or racially segregated and relocated in inadequate housing. The delegates will explain how Romanian law and practice in this area falls far behind international human rights standards.

A flash-mob following the breakfast organized by local activists, will present Amnesty International's concerns using street art.

When: 16 October 2013

What; Where; When:

Breakfast with journalists at 1000 local time (0700 GMT) at Antipa Cafe & Terrace, Soseaua Kiseleff 1, Bucharest

Flash-mob "Don't play games with people's lives": at 1100 local time (0800 GMT) on the terrace of the Antipa Cafe & Terrace, Soseaua Kiseleff 1, Bucharest

Delivery of signatures to the office of the Prime Minister at 1130 local time (0830 GMT) at the Office of the Prime Minister, Victoria Palace, Piața Victoriei 1, Bucharest 011791

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