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AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL HOLDS TOKYO PRESS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHINA

Amnesty International's Secretary General, Pierre Sané, is in Japan to launch a worldwide campaign and comprehensive report on human rights violations in China – the third stop in a campaigning tour which included Bangkok and Hong Kong.

Also at the press conference are Wei Shanshan, sister of Wei Jingsheng, China's best known prisoner of conscience, who is currently serving a 14-year prison sentence; and Edith Hanson, Chairperson of Amnesty International's Japanese section.

Amnesty International Japan is also holding an open symposium on human rights in China and an opening party for a photo exhibition on Wei Jingsheng, both on March 19.

Press conference details:

1400-1500 Monday 18 March

Media room of the Foreign Correspondents' Club of Japan (19th Floor)

The speakers will be available for interviews. Interviews can be conducted in English, Japanese, Mandarin and French.

Materials:

A press pack will be distributed at the press conference, including a 121-page report, *China: No One Is Safe*, an eight-page summary briefing of the report, a news release and information on the business aspect of the campaign. For broadcasters, VHS and BETA copies of a video news release and three eight-minute documentary style stories are available with accompanying scripts. The footage is available for free worldwide broadcast.

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