



GIVE TRIBAL AREAS IN PAKISTAN HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTIONS

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Dear President Zardari,

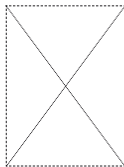
The people of Pakistan's Tribal Areas continue to endure legal exclusions that prevent their rights from being enforced. The government has entrenched these exclusions through security laws which you approved in June 2011. The Actions (in Aid of Civil Power) Regulations 2011 (AACPR), covering the Tribal Areas, allow Pakistan's security forces to violate with impunity several human rights, including the rights to life, to a fair trial and protection against arbitrary detention, torture and other ill-treatment.

We urge you to address the absence of human rights protections in northwest Pakistan by formally extending the jurisdiction of the high courts and parliament to the Tribal Areas, repealing the AACPR, and undertaking a credible, independent investigation into violations in detention, including deaths in custody, torture and other ill-treatment.

Yours sincerely,

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Image: A soldier stands guard over hooded men alleged to be militants detained during military operations in Pakistan's Tribal Areas, December 2010 © REUTERS/K. Parvez

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