King and Prime Minister

His Majesty King Salman bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud

The Custodian of the two Holy Mosques

Office of His Majesty the King

Royal Court, Riyadh

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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Your Majesty,

I am writing to express my serious concern about the fate of fourteen Saudi Arabian men who are at risk of imminent execution after their death sentences were upheld by the Supreme Court. Hussein al-Rabi’, Abdullah al-Tureif, Hussein al-Mosallem, Mohamed al-Naser, Mustafa al-Darwish, Fadel Labbad, Sa’id al-Sakafi, Salman al-Qureish, Mujtaba al-Suweyket, Munir al-Adam, Abdullah al-Asreeh, Ahmad al-Darwish, Abdulaziz al-Sahwi, and Ahmad al-Rab’i were sentenced to death on 1 June 2016 by the Specialized Criminal Court, following a grossly unfair mass trial based on “confessions” they told the court were obtained under torture.

I urge you to immediately halt these executions and quash the convictions, and ensure these men are retried in proceedings meeting international fair trial standards and without recourse to the death penalty.

I further urge you to order a prompt, impartial, independent and effective investigation into their allegations of torture and other ill-treatment, and to immediately establish an official moratorium on executions with a view to abolishing the death penalty.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,