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To, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamilnadu Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami

SUBJECT: Custodial killing and rape/ digital rape of father and son, (Mr. Jayaraj and Mr. Emmanuel Benicks) in Tuticorin, TAMILNADU

Dear Mr. Chief Minister!

Trust that this letter finds you and your family well, and safe!

Sir, UNADAP is an organization accredited under the United Nations Economic and Social Council and reports periodically to the United Nations and to the international community. Now, the international community that has always held the State of Tamilnadu in the highest of admiration; is alarmed at the "crimes against humanity" of the brutal killings and sexual torture of a father and son in Tuticorin by the state police. Sadly, such beastly and gruesome acts from our police force have brought disgrace to the State and to the otherwise elite Tamilnadu Police.

A few weeks ago, I had appointed Ms. Nethra Mohandass from Madurai as a Goodwill Ambassador for the Poor, whilst you and the Governor had congratulated her. Nethra will be presenting the goodness of Tamilnadu at the United Nations, in front of world leaders. The international community had praised you because your state had produced a Good Samaritan. However, now, the heinous acts has not only tarnished the image of the state, it has also reflected on the office of the Chief Minister.

It is the request of the international community that you: (a) grant protection to the family of the deceased; (b) grant legal resolve to the family; (c) provide adequate financial compensation, so that the bereaved family would not be subject to the manipulation of fringe elements; (d) charge the police officers responsible for their deaths, with homicide and rape/ digital rape.

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The international community has been in admiration of your governance, and your efforts in handling COVID-19. We stand with you in solidarity during these trying and testing times.

UNADAP would be willing to receive the official report from your office, so as to present the facts, and your action against the culprits.

Thanking you in advance, and best wishes to your family, government and political party!

CC:

Secretary General, United Nations, NY Human Rights Council, United Nations Prime Minister of India Governor of Tamilnadu



