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DON'T EXECUTE TASHPOLAT TIYIP

Dear President,

I am writing to ask for your urgent intervention to halt any plans to execute Tashpolat Tiyip. Tashpolat Tiyip was the President of Xinjiang University.

He was forcibly disappeared in 2017 while travelling to Germany with a group of students for a conference. He has been detained since then and his whereabouts remain unknown. He was convicted of "separatism" in secret and grossly unfair proceedings.

Tashpolat Tiyip was sentenced to a "suspended death sentence", which includes the possibility of commutation after two years' imprisonment when no other crimes are committed. The two-year reprieve ends in September 2019. Without a commutation, he now faces imminent execution.

I call on you to immediately halt plans to carry out the execution of Tashpolat Tiyip. I also call on you to release Tashpolat Tiyip unconditionally, unless there is sufficient credible and admissible evidence that he committed an internationally recognised offence and is granted a fair trial in line with international standards.

Yours sincerely,