

Text of letter to the Westminster Police

Written by Administrator
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We wish to inform you that the Zimbabwe Vigil wishes to stage a demonstration from 10.30 am – 2 pm on Friday 17th April 2015 at our usual gathering place outside the Zimbabwe Embassy.

The Vigil and other Zimbabwean exile groups have over the past month been seeking information from the Embassy about the abduction of our friend the human rights activist Itai Dzamara who was last seen being bundled into a car with obscured number plates in Harare on 9th March. Mr Dzamara had been exercising his constitutional rights and leading a protest in Africa Unity Square in Harare since last October calling on President Mugabe to resign because of the catastrophic failure of his 35-year-long regime to serve the interests of the people.

It is believed he was taken by agents of the brutal Central Intelligence Organisation which has a history of extra-legal activities against Mugabe's opponents. They are known to routinely torture people, some of whom are never heard of again. Some bodies may later be found in the bush while others are thought to have been disposed of in acid baths.

Lawyers for Human Rights in Zimbabwe have offered a reward for information about Mr Dzamara's disappearance and say they are taking the Mugabe regime to court over its failure to observe a court order to search for him.

The European Union, along with the United States, Canada, Australia and others, has expressed concern at the disappearance of Itai Dzamara, with whom the Vigil was in regular contact before his abduction.

As you know, the Vigil has been bearing weekly witness outside the Embassy to the evils of the Zimbabwe regime since 12th October 2002. We long to return to a peaceful and prosperous Zimbabwe and are distressed that the world has stood aside while the situation has steadily deteriorated.

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All elections are rigged

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The regime flouts the law with impunity

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The economy has been destroyed by corruption

There is indisputable evidence of Mugabe's genocidal history (Gukurahundi), the enforced displacement of hundreds of thousands of people (Murambatsvina) and his tribal and racial ethnic cleansing (farm grabbing among others).

These have led to a forced exodus of Zimbabweans who are now scattered around the world, which continues to turn a blind eye to this evil regime which, the Vigil believes, is helped to stay in power by British aid.

We are planning to send a small delegation into the Embassy to present the Ambassador with a letter. If the Embassy is closed we will push the letter under their front door.