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Tibetan Centre for Human Rights and Democracy

To,

Dated: 27 July 2009

Working Group on Arbitrary Detention
c/o Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
United Nations Office at Geneva
8-14, avenue de la Paix
1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland

Dear Ms. Castrillo ,

The Tibetan Centre for Human Rights and Democracy (TCHRD) appeals to the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (WGAD) to take up with the Chinese authorities the arbitrary detention of a 35-year-old Tibetan monk, Jamyang Tenzin.

Jamyang was recently learned to be sentenced to three years prison term by the Kardze Intermediate People's Court on 3 July 2009. He was arrested on 3 October 2007 for objecting the authorities conduct of "patriotic education" in his monastery. Since his arrest, he remained in incommunicado detention for 21 months until information about his sentencing surfaced recently.

The TCHRD considers the imprisonment of Jamyang Tenzin to be an absolute case of arbitrary detention on the following grounds

- a) Jamyang was held in incommunicado detention for 21 months
- b) Jamyang has been arbitrarily deprived of liberty till date for no offence
- c) Jamyang exercised his right to freedom of expression in objecting to the authorities conduct of a political campaign in the name of "patriotic education"
- d) Jamyang expressed his rejection of the "patriotic education" peacefully. However, he was sentenced to three years prison term.

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The TCHRD has first reported about the arrest of Jamyang Tenzin on 8 October 2007 (accessible at <http://tchrd.org/press/2007/pr20071008.html>). Upon learning the sentencing of Jamyang to three years prison term, the TCHRD issued the following press release on 20 July 2009 (accessible at <http://tchrd.org/press/2009/pr20090720.html>)

The Centre appeals to the WGAD to kindly take up the arbitrary detention of Jamyang Tenzin with the government of Peoples's Republic of China.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Mr. Tenzin Norgay
Personnel for UN Affairs

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**MODEL QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSONS ALLEGING
ARBITRARY ARREST OR DETENTION**

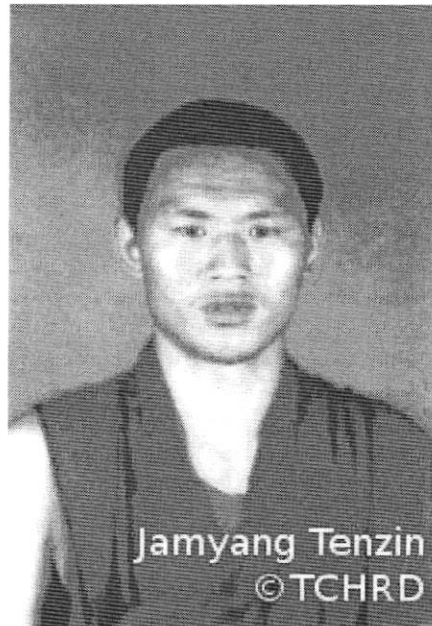
I. IDENTITY

- 1. Family name:
- 2. First name:Jamyang Tenzin
- 3. Sex: Male
- 4. Birth date or age (at the time of detention):35 years old.....
- 5. Nationality/Nationalities:.....Tibetan.....
- 6. (a) Identity document (if any):Picture below.....

- (b) Issued by:
- (c) On (date):
- (d) No.:

7. Profession and/or activity (if believed to be relevant to the arrest/detention):
.....monk.....

8. Address of usual residence:
.....Youru Sakhor Village, Lithang County, Kardze
"Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture" ('TAP'), Sichuan
Province.....



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II. Arrest

1. Date of arrest:.....3 October 2007.....

2. Place of arrest (as detailed as possible):

.....During a Chinese authorities' "patriotic re-education" campaign in the Yonru Geyden Rabgayling Monastery in Lihang on 3 October 2007, Jamyang Tenzin had an argument with the 'work team' officials. He was arrested immediately.

3. Forces who carried out the arrest or are believed to have carried it out:

.....Lihang County Public Security Bureau.....

4. Did they show a warrant or other decision by a public authority?

(No).....

5. Authority who issued the warrant or decision:

.....No warrant was issued.....

6. Relevant legislation applied (if known):

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