

# Petition

## Religious freedom for Christians in China

### To the Ambassador of the People's Republic of China, London

We the undersigned are concerned by the lack of religious tolerance and freedom suffered by Christians in China. The continuing arrest of Christians, detention of leaders, and their imprisonment on contrived charges stand in stark contrast to the more politically and socially developed nation that the

government of China wishes to portray.

The undisputed existence of a large majority of Christians choosing to practise their faith outside of the State-registered church is clear evidence that Chinese Christians object to unnecessary, and heavy-handed, regulation and control of their peaceful

religious activity.

We applaud the improved treatment of Christians afforded by the authorities in some parts of China, but hereby call on the government, as significant members of the United Nations, to respect and implement their obligation to provide genuine freedom of religion for all as detailed in

Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

We urge the Chinese government to repeal restrictive legislation and to introduce a new era of co-operation, welcoming the positive contribution that Christians can make to the well-being of society.



**Please sign this petition and help make a difference for persecuted Christians in CHINA**

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