

Open Letter

26/10/2021

To the esteemed Norwegian Ministry of Defense (Odd Roger Enoksen)

Dear Sir!

First: Congratulations on your new role as Minister of Defense of Norway. We are happy that a good and worthy person like you is the Minister of this country.

Second: We would like to inform you that:

We are a group of local staff who served honestly for the Norwegian Armed Forces in Mazar-e-Sharif, Camp Nidaros, from 2006 to 2014. We are pleased to have worked with you.

As you know, the Taliban are controlling our country.

Because we have cooperated for you (the Norwegian Armed Forces), we are considered the enemy of the Taliban. And the Taliban are searching door in door for people who have cooperated with foreign armed forces.

Even though we are humiliated in our society, some call us spies, some call us infidel. We are really in dangerous and we are not safe here

For this reason, we have been hiding in the house for more than a month, for fear of the Taliban. We can't go outside. Some of us have fled the city of Mazar with their families and children and we are living in bad situation in other provinces, and most of us have fled our homes and are living elsewhere because in the old place we were living everyone knew that we had worked for the Norwegian Armed forces.

And it is very hard and difficult to continue this situation. Children without school and ourselves away from home and property. We do not know how long we can continue this bad situation and we never can't go outside the home because there is no guarantee that the Taliban will not behead us. And one more threat to us is Dahish That unfortunately expanding day by day here.

It has been more than two months since we demanded from the previous government to do something to save our lives, like other countries that evacuated their employees, fortunately on 26 of August the Norwegian authorities promised to evacuate us.

And the next day when there was an explosion in Kabul airport so most of countries stopped their evacuation and Norway also, so after many days those countries started their evacuation again. But unfortunately the Norwegian authorities that have been promised to evacuate us are still silence and no one from authorities contacted us and did not answer our messages and we are still waiting for the Norwegian authorities to contact us,

And all other counties that could not evacuate their employees fully before 31 august so they are evacuating these days from Mazar e Sharif airport that we are witnessing. But we are so disappointed that the Norwegian authorities did nothing to save our lives and left us behind in a state of death at any moment.

Believe me, when I was writing this letter, I was informed that the Taliban beheaded one of the players of the football team in Kabul. And we hear a lot of news about the innocent people that were beheaded by the Taliban and the media can't publish this news. Our lives are filled with fear and death every moment.

And we feel like we are taking the last breaths of our lives.

I have the documents that the Taliban explicitly announced on social media that those who cooperated even by a hint, so they are our enemies and should be killed.

Therefore, we respectfully demand the Prime Minister (Jonas Gahr Store), the Minister of Defense and the New Norwegian government in general to take serious action to evacuate and save our lives as soon as possible before the local employees of the Norwegian government are killed by the Taliban or Dahish.

Best regards,

Local worker of Norwegian Armed Forces In Mazar-e-Sharif, Camp Nidaros

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