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Dear President Obama,

In the last few weeks, the New York Times, one of the most influential newspapers in the United States, published a series of editorials and opinions asking your administration to change its policy towards Cuba. In the center of this just demand, is the case of three Cuban men who have been in U.S. prisons since 1998.

Gerardo Hernández, Ramón Labañino and Antonio Guerrero are part of the internationally known “Cuban Five” who came to the United States to monitor the activities of violent groups of Cuban exiles who have caused great suffering to many Cuban families. Unarmed, the altruistic mission of the Five was to save lives and prevent more criminal acts against their people, and also against U.S. citizens.

General James Clapper, current Director of National Intelligence, testified at their trial that "The Five" did not damage, nor did they endanger U.S. national security. Two of them, René González and González Fernando Llort have returned to Cuba after serving their entire sentences.

In these 16 years of injustice, personalities from around the world including 10 Nobel Laureates, jurists, intellectuals, artists, trade union and religious leaders, parliamentarians, governments, human rights organizations and U.S. elected officials, have demanded their freedom over and over again. These demands have been supported by major international bodies such as the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention and Amnesty International.

Former President Jimmy Carter expressed in 2011: “I believe that there is no reason to keep the Cuban Five imprisoned, there were doubts in the U.S. courts and also among human rights organizations in the world. Now, they have been in prison 12 years and I hope that in the near future they will be released to return home.

President Obama -- 16 years of this unjust imprisonment is too long.

The undersigned have added their voice to all the people of good will around the world who are asking you to find a solution to this case.

In the spirit of the holiday season, we ask you to use the powers vested in you by the Constitution of the United States, and allow these three Cuban men to return to their homes soon, so that they can embrace their elderly mothers, wives and children and begin the New Year with their families.
President Obama, you can do it. A humanitarian gesture would constitute a major step forward in the relations between the two countries; we ask you to do the right thing. The people of the United States and peoples of the world would thank you.

Sincerely,

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