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Dear Mr. President,

The Human Rights House Foundation (Norway), the Belarusian Human Rights House in exile in Vilnius, Civic Belarus (Czech Republic), the Norwegian Children and Youth Council and Belarus Watch (Lithuania) strongly condemn the crackdown on peaceful demonstrators, arrests and beatings of journalists, human rights defenders and opposition candidates, which happened in the aftermath of the Presidential election on 19 December 2010 in Belarus.

We are alarmed about the fact that European Humanities University (EHU) students and teachers, who were present in large number at the election observation and during the demonstrations, are among the hundreds arrested.

We call upon the Belarusian authorities to:

- Immediately release the EHU students and teachers
- Ensure that they have access to a proper medical care
- Secure the safety of the Belarusian citizens carrying out their political and civil rights.

The arrested are:

1. HLADKI, Yauheni, 4th-year student, Political Sciences and European Studies, sentenced to 15 days in prison
2. YERMOKHIN, Emil, 1st-year student, Political Sciences and European Studies, sentenced to 13 days in prison
3. KIM, Andrei, 1st-year student, Journalism, sentenced to 10 days in prison
4. KLIMKO, Katsiaryna, 4th-year student, Political Sciences and European Studies, sentenced to 10 days in prison
5. MASLENNIKAU, Fedar, 1st-year student, International Law, sentenced to 12 days in prison
6. PALAZHANKA, Nasta, Political Sciences and European Studies, detained under Article 293.1 and 293.1 of the Criminal Code
7. SMALIAK, Siarhei, 3rd-year student, Political Sciences and European Studies, sentenced to 15 days in prison
8. FEDARUK, Dzmitry, 1st-year student, International Law, sentenced to 10 days in prison
9. KHAMUTOU, Hleb, 3rd-year student, Political Sciences and European Studies, sentenced to 13 days in prison
10. FEDUTA, Aleksandr, teacher of EHU

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