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His Majesty

May I bring your awareness to Thulani Maseko who was shot dead on 2023-01-21 in his private residence. The circumstances show a clear indication that the murder is connected to his engagement for democracy and his oppositional activities for the revision of political conditions.

There are several reports stating that the investigation of his murder was not carried out with due diligence and expediency. In particular, no serious results or findings have been made public.

A number of organisations, parties and groups have been urging for independent investigations for a long time. And this is my very intent and plea in an effort to advance this further.

May your eager and unconditional attitude prevent the idea that governmental forces or interests might have been involved in this condemnable murder with the aim to suppress oppositional activity.

Furthermore, reports explain that the harassments have been seemingly extended to family members of Thulani Maseko, namely his wife Tanele Maseko. On 27th March she was arrested at the border to South Africa and her passport and mobile were confiscated.

His Majesty, I eagerly call your commitment to ensure that all his family members receive the full safety and freedom from harassment that they deserve.

May your wisdom, honor and sense of justice bring about safety and peace in Eswatinian society.

With best regards