Aziz Akhanouch

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**MAROKKO**

Dear Aziz Akhanouch

Nasser Zefzafi has campaigned for better living conditions for the population in Morocco, in the context of peaceful protests of the Hirak movement. This movement campaigns for better health care and more social justice.

In May 2017, he was arrested after accusing an imam of being a mouthpiece for the government.

Nasser Zefzafi was accused of rebellion along with 53 others and sentenced to 20 years in prison. Confessions to this were forced from him through torture and maltreatment. According to his testimony, he was beaten by a policeman who threatened to rape his mother.

For 6 years he has been living in prison under terrible conditions. He suffers from shortness of breath, skin rash, nerve disorders, visual disturbances and a tumor.

Dear Aziz Akhanough, please release Nasser Zefzafi immediately and annul the sentence against him.

Yours sincerely