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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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I would like to make the following submission.

I would like to encourage the committee to draft a human rights bill that strengthens our important rights. Recent populist governments have shown contempt for basic rights. These include

- The right of association
- The right to a trial before any punishment (such as mandatory and unduly harsh bail laws)
- The right to not be punished for actions that were committed before legislation was enacted (such as being a member of an organization).

I would also encourage the committee to draft these rights in plain language along the lines of the US constitution. They need to be seen as a broad statement of principal rather than a detailed analysis. Otherwise they will end up riddled with caveats and it will be impossible to come to any agreement.

Yours Sincerely,

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