

Dear members of the Senate Legal & Constitutional Committee,

I am writing to urge that you propose amendments to this bill. I am particularly concerned with the section in the clause that threatens writers with a seven-year jail sentence for expressing points of view (their own or those of their subjects) that may be deemed dangerous to national security. I am concerned about the provisional nature of terms such as 'dangerous to national security'. Also this clause repudiates International Law.

I am deeply worried about the fate of freedom of speech in this country should this Bill be approved.

Yours sincerely,
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