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To: Secretary Antony Blinken Secretary of State of the U.S.

Re: <u>A request to impose Global Magnitsky Sanctions on the State of Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu</u>

1. I appeal to you on behalf of the Israeli opposition organizations, movements and activists:

The Israeli opposition organizations and movements:

Looking the Occupation in the Eye, Mothers Against Violence, Machsom Watch, Windows – Channels for Communication, Your Neighbor as Yourself and Combatants for Peace.

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2. The fast sliding of the State of Israel into a full dictatorship, since the last elections on November 1, 2022, proves how accurate was the claim published by the State Department's Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs that: "corruption is one of the most pervasive types of crime: it fuels transnational crime, wastes public resources, destabilizes countries, and impedes good governance. Authoritarian countries and those veering towards authoritarianism increasingly weaponize corruption to perpetuate power at home and undermine democracy around the world".

- 3. As will be explained in detail below, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu weaponizes corruption to perpetuate his power and undermine democracy. His actions in recent years are a clear example of the corruption's ability to corrode democracy, and clearly justify imposing sanctions on him according to the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act, enacted in December 2016.
- 4. After PM Netanyahu was investigated and charged for corrupt acts that resulted in illicit personal gain, he started to obsessively attack Israel's democratic institutions, which were flawed and unstable from the beginning because of various political and historical reasons, and therefore an easy target for PM Netanyahu.
- 5. It is important to note that the corrupt acts with which PM Netanyahu is accused directly harmed the democratic institutions of Israel, because according to the indictments they were related to the abuse of his official power while harming the independence of the media and regulators in Israel.
- 6. In the first years PM Netanyahu attacked the democratic institutions in Israel, with the aim of weakening them, and deliberately caused a political crisis that led to five general elections in four years.
- 7. Since the last election, PM Netanyahu is no longer working to weaken democratic institutions, but simply to abolish them completely or make them totally hollow. In a series of bills that his government is promoting, PM Netanyahu is working to abolish the independence and professionalism of the courts, law enforcement agencies, the public service and the media, and put all of them under the absolute and direct control of his government.
- 8. Specifically, the known legislative changes that PM Netanyahu advances include: to put the process of appointing judges under the absolute control of the government, to allow the Knesset (which the government controls) to override decisions of the Supreme Court, to give members of the Knesset the power to shield legislation from judicial review, to direct the Supreme Court not to use certain standards in reviewing government enactments, to turn otherwise binding legal advice by government lawyers into advisory opinions, to close or abolish the independence of the Public Broadcasting Corporation, to transfer the Department of Internal Police Investigations to the direct management of a minister in the government and also allow it to prosecute public prosecutors, and many more.
- 9. The problem is not only with each proposal individually, but with the entirety of the proposals. The former chief justice of Israel, Aharon Barak, compared the raft of bills to a "tank putsch". The current President of the Supreme Court, dozens of retired Supreme Court judges and presidents, and thousands of legal experts and academics, former government ministers and public figures in Israel have warned that this is a transition to an undemocratic regime. Among them is the former General Attorney Avichai Mandelblit, who was appointed to the

position in the previous PM Netanyahu government and filed the indictments against PM Netanyahu, who said that "if there is no independent judicial system, it's over. It's something else, it's a different system of government, a different system of regime."

- 10. This is not a theoretical threat. Already, in the last two weeks, dangerous parts of bills in a "judicial reform" package have passed in the Knesset Legislation Committee and in the first vote in the Knesset plenum. PM Netanyahu appointed a supporter of the late Rabbi Meir Kahana, who was convicted for terrorist activities in Kahana's organization, Itamar Ben-Gvir, as Minister of National Security, and amended the legislation so that Minister Ben-Gvir will be the official commander of the police and responsible for all law enforcement operations in Israel. Minister Ben-Gvir and other senior members in the government and coalition have repeatedly delegitimized the opposition and anti-dictatorship protesters, calling for them to be deprived of their liberties and for the police to use illegal and disproportionate force against them. Recently, PM Netanyahu also appointed Minister Ben-Gvir to head a team to combat "incitement", whose real role will obviously be to censor the opposition protest and incriminate citizens who refuse to remain silent.
- 11. In addition, PM Netanyahu's close associates, including his son Yair Netanyahu, are conducting a campaign of incitement and fake news against officials in the Ministry of Justice, the prosecutor's office, the police and the judicial system, who were or are still involved in the investigations and in his trial, in order to threaten and blackmail them. This caused the deployment of personal security guards in view of the physical threats against some of them.
- 12. Not only will the Netanyahu government's bills allow the most extreme right-wing government in the history of the State of Israel to carry out widespread human rights abuse and repression, these bills, once passed, will further open doors for endless corruption, both by the government and Knesset members. Lacking independent courts, prosecution, police and media, as well as minimal defense of rights to equality and freedom of expression and information corruption will be institutionalized and will be an integral part of the 'governing' system in Israel.
- 13. For example, when PM Netanyahu's government promotes a bill by which government ministers will actually be their own legal advisers, take upon themselves to decide the right interpretation of the law and not be subject to a different legal opinion, the government ensures that contractual bonds, tenders, and allocation of budgets, licenses and jobs reach and benefit the supporters of the ruling party and its chief members. This way there will be no need for annulling the offense in the Israeli Penal Code of "deceit and breach of trust" (PM Netanyahu is accused of violating it), since each minister will be appointed by the "law" to determine what is right and what is wrong, and could never be considered deceitful or of breaching anyone's trust.

- 14. There is no dispute among the opposition, as well as among many former senior officials in the political and judicial system, that PM Netanyahu's moves are related to his criminal trial and his desire to stop or cancel it. Things are also clear in light of the fact that until the opening of the investigations and the filing of the indictments against him, PM Netanyahu publicly opposed exactly the same bills that he is promoting now.
- 15. The Global Magnitsky Act provides the U.S. executive branch with standing, global authority to impose targeted sanctions against specific persons, including foreign government officials in countries with which the United States otherwise shares important bilateral relations. The Act authorizes the government to impose economic sanctions (asset blocking and prohibitions on transactions) and visa restrictions.
- 16. With regard to PM Netanyahu's corruption, sanctions should be imposed on him for being "responsible for, or complicit in, ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, acts of significant corruption, including the expropriation of private or public assets for personal gain, corruption related to government contracts or bribery", as detailed in the indictments against him.
- 17. With regard to PM Netanyahu's policy effect on human rights by making Israel a full dictatorship, sanctions should be imposed on him for facilitating the violations of internationally recognized human rights of public servants (as public prosecutors, police investigators, judges, Knesset members from the opposition parties and others) or opposition members who seek to "expose illegal activity carried out by government officials" or "obtain, exercise, defend, or promote internationally recognized human rights and freedoms, such as the freedoms of religion, expression, association, and assembly, and the rights to fair trials and democratic elections."
- 18. Again, this is not theoretical. His son, Yair Netanyahu, attacked "seniors in the prosecutor's office and the police", and hinted that they deserve the death penalty: "They sewed up cases against the elected prime minister, it was called a coup and it's treason. Everyone is invited to enter the law book of the State of Israel and look at what the punishment for treason is, and it is not prison."
- 19. The bills that PM Netanyahu is promoting will turn the State of Israel into a full-fledged dictatorship, and will abolish all legal protections in Israel for human and civil rights that are recognized, among in other documents, in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.
- 20. In reviewing the State Department's list of those who have been sanctioned in recent years, it is clear that there is no justification for excluding PM Netanyahu. The list includes senior officials all over the world, who were involved in corruption and damage to democratic institutions, including in countries that are allies of the U.S.: Bulgarian government officials, Paraguay's Former President and current Vice President, ministers and congressmen in El Salvador and

- Guatemala, former President of Guinea, government officials, minister and Chief of Staff in Liberia, Cambodian government officials, and many more.
- 21. Because of everything explained above, we ask you to act without delay to implement the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act, on PM Netanyahu as a perpetrator of corruption and serious human rights abuses.

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