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Sentencing of Syrian Political Prisoners

The United States condemns the unjust sentencing of political prisoners Michel Kilo, Mahmoud Issa, Suleiman Shummar, and Khalil Hussein, who have been punished for expressing their personal views. Following the harsh judgments rendered against Kamal Labwani and Anwar al-Bunni, these latest sentences are evidence of the <u>Syrian</u> regime's continued contempt for human rights. We call on President al-Assad to unconditionally release all prisoners of conscience

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