

Israelischer Botschafter
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Dear Sir,

It has come to my attention that Shir Regev (Military ID 5966205), a conscientious objector to military service, has been repeatedly imprisoned for his refusal to become part of the Israeli army, and is held in Military Prison no. 6 near Atlit.

The imprisonment of conscientious objectors such as Shir Regev is a violation of international law, of basic human rights and of plain morals. This is especially clear in cases, such as Regev's, in which conscientious objectors are being sentenced more than once for their self-same decision to refuse enlistment.

I therefore call for the immediate and unconditional release from prison of Shir Regev, without threat of further imprisonment in the future, and urge you and the system you are heading to respect the dignity and person of conscientious objectors, indeed of all persons, in the future.

Sincerely,

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