



VERY VERY URGENT

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TAMIL WRITERS GUILD

**President Barack Obama
Prime Minister Gordon Brown
French President Nicolas Sarkozy
EU President Barroso**

Dear Honourable Sirs,

Re: Final Appeal to bury the dead and save the injured numbering over 25,000 – PLEASE ACT!

We write to request your IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE as there are reports of over 25,000 Tamils dead and injured, lying helplessly in the last remaining 'safe zone' in Sri Lanka that is under unimaginable fire just because it's only occupants are Tamils.

The remaining civilians and the relatives of combatants are now almost certainly facing the firing line without witness or are due to perish in their bunkers as the Sri Lankan military has now claimed that all civilians are safely out, meaning it is now scorching the earth at will. It originally claimed only 50,000 Tamils were trapped in the conflict zone but has now admitted to detaining over 265,000 in internment camps, amid claims of tens of thousands going missing and not reaching the camps at all.

Humanitarian and medical staff in the area have already called on the international community to demand that the Sri Lankan government enter into an immediate ceasefire and allow monitors to ensure that no chemical weapons are used.

The Tamils with over 5000 years of civilisation and numbering over 80m in the world with no international, UN or legitimate voice to be heard by the West, protested on the world's streets over the last few months to precisely avoid this bloodbath. At the last count, since middle of January 2009, over 13,500 Tamil civilian lives have been lost in addition to over 80,000 sacred lives during the past 25 years for the Tamils' freedom which was cruelly taken away in 1948.

In the absence of any substantial action by the civilised world against Sri Lanka and for the protection of the Tamil Homeland and its people, sadly it will not be an end to the war, rather a new dimension of struggle by the current generation and the Tamil cause will reignite from the embers of this war as exclaimed by the editorial of Financial Times, UK on 15th May 2009.

Your silence and inaction have shocked us and we urge you to be brave and not to heed to India's third world political well being at the cost of Tamil lives.

We URGENTLY and DESPERATELY request and beg the civilised world to immediately intervene and evacuate the remaining loved ones of the Diaspora. We also urge an intervention as the West did with the Balkan crisis or help the Tamils protect themselves as Croatia was helped against the aggression of Milosevic.

Yours sincerely

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