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Dear Director of Federal Penal Service,

Ukrainian citizen Oleksandr Marchenko has been serving a 10-year prison sentence in Ulan-Ude for espionage since November 2020. He maintains that he is innocent and that in November 2018 he was abducted and tortured to extract a "confession".

The Russian authorities are denying him the medical care he urgently requires and he has been repeatedly subjected to arbitrary disciplinary punishments which pose a risk to his life and may amount to torture.

I therefore urge you to ensure Oleksandr Marchenko is provided with the medical care he requires.

Please make sure that the allegations of torture and other ill-treatment are promptly, effectively and impartially investigated.

Yours sincerely,

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