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Mr Pervez Musharraf  
President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan  
Islamabad

Pakistan

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### **Open letter**

Dear President,

Together with those people within Pakistan working to bring about democracy and human rights, we hope that the parliamentary elections on 18 February 2008 will be free and fair.

We very much welcome your assurance during your visit to Europe that you would involve all political forces in Pakistan's democratic future. We would therefore like to ask you to release the political prisoners.

The following persons are under house arrest or remain in custody:

Justice Iftikhar Muhammad Chaudhry  
Justice Rana Bhagwandas  
Justice Khalilur Rahman Ramday  
Aitzaz Ahsan, barrister  
Justice (Retd.) Tariq Mahmood  
Ali Ahmad Kurd, barrister  
Munir Malik, barrister

We are confident that Pakistan will go down the path to a free and peaceful future, thanks to the strength and courage of its people.

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Member of the Bundestag  
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