# INSATS APRIL (NR.3) ENGLISH SUMMARY

# **CALENDAR**

April 24:th Beginners meeting before the Annual Meeting May 6-7:th Annual Meeting and National Youth Gathering May 16:th The Death Penalty Report 2022 is published May 30:th The summer issue of INSATS is published May – August PRIDE

## THE AMNESTY SWEDEN STRATEGY FOR 2022–2030

The strategy was approved by the Annual Meeting in 2022 and following adjustments decided on at the Annual Meeting, following the approval of the Board of Amnesty Sweden. The strategy is now being implemented. The strategy has three goals:

1. Defend Human Rights on the national and global level

2. Building an unstoppable movement

3. Inspiring commitment and loyalty

The strategy is available here in English (at the end of the Swedish text)

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#### STOP THE EXECUTION OF SWEDISH HABIB CHAAB!

On 12 March, Iran's Supreme Court confirmed the death sentence against Swedish-Iranian Habib Chaab and now there is a high risk that it will be carried out. Chaab was arrested after travelling to Turkey from Sweden on 9 October 2020 and under unclear circumstances he was taken to Iran where he was put on trial. Despite the fact that all people have the right to be treated as innocent until proven guilty by a court of law, Iranian state TV had shown footage of Mr Chaab "confessing" to involvement in an armed attack on a military parade in 2018. We must also not forget the Swedish-Iranian doctor Ahmadreza Djalali who has been imprisoned in the country for 7 years and for whom we must all continue to take action.

Amnesty has documented a pattern of systematic violations of the right to a fair trial in Iran. The courts ignore allegations of torture and other ill-treatment without ordering an investigation and rely on confessions extracted under torture to issue death sentences and other convictions. The human rights situation in Iran has long been serious, but after the death of Jina Amini and the wave of protests during last autumn, it has become even worse. During the protests, the authorities killed hundreds of people, including children, and thousands of people have been subjected to ill-treatment and torture. In January and February this year alone, around 100 people have been executed in Iran.

To take action and stop the execution of Habib Chaab, you can visit the activist portal where you can find ways to take action. There is also information on how you can continue to act on behalf of Ahmadreza Djalali. We have known for a long time that writing letters is a safe way to act and carries a lot of weight with embassies. If you want to remain anonymous in the letter but still have an impact, you can:

- Sign with a pseudonym
- Ask friends/family to sign the letter
- Write an abbreviation of your name

Stand up for human rights and against the death penalty! Stop the execution of Habib Chaab!

Psst. The release of this year's death penalty report in mid-May is a good opportunity to raise awareness and take action against the death penalty.

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### MALÚ GARCÍA ANDRADE IS AWARDED WITH THIS YEAR'S PER ANGER PRIZE

Amnesty International nominated Malú for the prize. Read more about her here.

#### **REGISTER FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING!**

Have you not yet registered for the most important event of the year? On May 6th-7th, it's time for Amnesty Sweden's Annual Meeting 2023 and National Youth Gathering in Stockholm.

Join us, mingle, discuss, and make important decisions for Amnesty as an organization and how we can work together for a better world. During the weekend, in addition to participating in workshops, making decisions, and selecting people for positions of trust, we will also hear from Sakariya Hirsi from Kollektiv Sorg, Horia Mosadiq, a human rights defender and founder of the organization SRMO, and Shadi G, who will provide musical entertainment during the Saturday evening dinner.

For more information on all program activities and to register, please visit amnesty.se/årsmöte. The deadline for registration is April 28th. Questions? Please feel free to contact me! Looking forward to seeing you in May!

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### **PARTICIPATE IN PRIDE 2023!**

Pride is both a festival and an important opportunity to draw attention to the human rights violations LGBTQI people are forced to endure in their everyday lives. During the upcoming Pride season (May-September), Amnesty Sweden is campaigning in support of transgender people around the world.

You can advocate for trans people's rights and inform about the violations that they often endure, at your local Pride festival or at other summer events. Do you want to join? <u>Sign up here.</u>

Join the new activist-led group "Etablera Kärlek" (Establish Love). To be a part of planning and representing Amnesty in the Pride parade in Stockholm, Gothenburg or Malmö or starting up Pride in smaller cities! Sign up in the form in the link if you are interested!

#### Open House 27/4 in Stockholm Gothenburg and Malmö focusing on Pride!

Hear more about Etablera Kärlek and how to take part in the planning of our participation in the Pride parades in Stockholm, Gothenburg and Malmö during this month's Open House – everyone is welcome to join in to discuss, workshop and plan this summer's Pride activities!

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# REPRESENT AMNESTY SWEDEN AT THIS YEAR'S EUROPEAN YOUTH MEETING IN ITALY!

The European Youth Meeting (EYM) is a forum for Amnesty's youth activists from European sections to meet over five days to network, further and deepen their activism and leadership skills through participatory, creative and inspiring methods such as skillshares, workshops, lectures and discussions!

This year's EYM will be held in Italy 5th-10th of September and Amnesty Sweden will be sending two youth activists to represent our section and bring back valuable tools and skills to our local, regional and national youth activism!

"The purpose of the EYM is to provide experienced youth activists with an opportunity to acquire new skills and knowledge useful for their further development as activists, as leaders as well as passing on the knowledge to other activists and their section. The EYM also aims to increase activists motivation to play an active part of the Amnesty Movement; to be multipliers through their section and/or local/youth/student group.

The EYM is organized by a group of staff members and volunteers (youth members who have participated in previous years). The meeting is not only youth-led but also tailored for and with youth activists to best suit their needs and learning goals."

Applications are now open to activists 18-24 years old who wish to further their activism and develop their leader skills within Amnesty! Apply by 30th of April the latest. <u>APPLY HERE</u>

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## APPLY FOR A POST IN THE GLOBAL ASSEMBLY PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OR THE INTERNATIONAL NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Now you can apply for a post in the national Amnesty movement either in the Global Assembly Preparatory Committee or the International Nominations Committee. It is the Board of Amnesty Sweden that decides on which candidates they nominate. Read more about the profiles being looked for to the posts <u>here</u> and fill in <u>the nominations form here</u>. Send your application at the latest on the 1:st of May to <u>lina.jakobsson@amnesty.se.</u>

### CAPTION FOR PICTURES FROM REGIONAL YOUTH GATHERINGS (ANSLAGSTAVLAN)

During the month of March, the Youth Council invited youth activists to Regional Youth Gatherings focusing on the March 8th campaign on Femicide!

The meetings, led by the Youth Council, were held in Stockholm and Malmö and activists were able to get to know each other and Amnesty better and immerse themselves in the topic of Femicide and how activists can get involved in it!

The gatherings ended with discussions and poster making to draw attention to the deadly violence against women!