INSATS JUNE/JULY (NR.4) ENGLISH SUMMARY

CALENDAR

JUNE 3 - Pride Falkenberg

JUNE 10 - Pride Härnösand and Gothenburg

JULY 8 - Pride Malmö

AUGUST 5 - Pride Stockholm

AUGUST 19 - Pride Sölvesborg

AUGUST 23 – Insats #5 August/September is published

AUGUST 26 - Pride Jönköping

September 23 - Pride Kalmar

SEPTEMBER 28 – International Safe Abortion Day

OCTOBER 25 - First day of Justyna Wydrzyńska's visit to Sweden

NOVEMBER 11&12 – Activist Seminar and national youth gathering (preliminary)

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER - Write for rights (exact dates to be confirmed)

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO ATTENDED THE AGM

Thank you again EVERYONE who participated and contributed to making the Annual Meeting weekend so great. We hope to see you again next year! In total, there were about 135 members present during the annual meeting. If you are interested in the decisions made during the annual meeting, the annual meeting minute will be published on medlem.amnesty.se no later than 30 days after the meeting.

PRIDE: Take action for transgender rights this summer!

Summer is now here, which for many is also associated with Pride activities in all its colors and forms. A time to show that love is for everyone, but also a time to show how vulnerable many LGBTI people are around the world.

This summer, we stand up together for the rights of all trans people, in Sweden and in the world. This is to show that transgender rights are human rights. The situation for trans people in the world is alarming. Especially when it comes to hate, violence and threats against trans people, but also the discriminatory laws that prevent trans people from living in accordance with their gender identity.

We need a lot of people to raise this important issue and hope to see a lot of yellow Amnesty vests in the Pride crowd!

Action - two trans people from Paraguay

The action we are highlighting in connection with the Pride campaign concerns Yren Rotela and Mariana Sepúlveda, two transgender people from Paraguay who are fighting for the same rights as everyone else. They want to be legally known as they are and not as who society says they are.

Yren and Mariana are fighting to change their legal names and have faced a lot of threats and hatred since they were children. If they could get documents that match who they are, it would mean that the state would begin to recognize their existence and that of other transgender people. As Yren says: "I came into the world to show who I am, not to know who I am".

This year we are collecting with a QR code for the online campaign. The campaign runs until September 30.

Registration and ordering of materials

After registering, you will receive the guide and more information about the action by email and the materials by post. Order the material as soon as possible as distribution will be closed for the summer from June 22 to July 22.

We have new nice material in the colors of the trans flag, blue and pink. The material contains: Poster A3, Info sheet A4, Petition sheet with QR code for the action, Sheet of stickers A4

Please register as soon as possible to ensure you receive the materials in time. REGISTER HERE.

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THE DEATH PENALTY IN IRAN

On 6 May, Swedish-Iranian Habib Chaab was executed after being sentenced to death in an unfair trial. Amnesty condemns the execution and our thoughts are with Chaab's loved ones. This happened in the context of an ongoing wave of executions in Iran, where Amnesty notes that those belonging to minorities in the country, such as Mr Chaab, are disproportionately affected by death sentences and executions.

This execution makes us very concerned about the Swedish-Iranian doctor and researcher Ahmadreza Djalali who is also sentenced to death in Iran. The execution of Habib Chaab shows that Iranian authorities do not hesitate to execute citizens of other countries. We need to act NOW. Amnesty believes that the judicial process against him has not met international standards. We call for his death sentence to be quashed and for his immediate release.

What can YOU do?

- Send a letter to the Iranian Embassy in Sweden demanding that Djalali's execution be stopped and that he be reunited with his family.
 - Embassy of Iran, P.O. Box 6031, 181 06 Lidingö
- Send an email to the Iranian Embassy in Stockholm at iranemb.sto@mfa.gov.ir
- Write solidarity greetings. Send them to the Secretariat in Stockholm:
 - o Amnesty International, att: Maja Åberg, Box 4719, 116 92 Stockholm
- Raise your voice on social media!
 - Address the Supreme Leader of Iran on Twitter (@khamenei_ir)
 - Spread the petition on Instagram/Facebook!
- Organise a demonstration
- Create posters, raise awareness and spread information!

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ACTIVIST MATERIALS

The distribution of Amnesty and campaigning materials will be closed for the summer from June 22 to July 22. Please make your orders before or after these dates.

GOOD NEWS

This fall, Swedish Amnesty is visited by the Polish abortion rights activist Justyna Wydrzyńska who, in addition to a visit to Stockholm, will go to a couple of colleges and universities around the country and talk about her and other activists' struggle for the right to abortion in Poland.

This visit will be done in cooperation with the student council and the student groups in the places Justyna Wydrzyńska will visit.

More information will follow after the summer!

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PUBLISH YOUR EVENTS ON AMNESTY.SE

We are happy to inform you that it is now possible to publish your planned events on amnesty.se. To inform us of your event please fill in this <u>form</u>. After filling in the form we will publish your event on <u>Amnesty's webpage</u>. Please fill in the information as early as possible and preferably at least three weeks before the event. Please contact me if you have any questions.

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GOOD BYE DISTRICTS - HELLO LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

At the annual meeting on May 6-7, the decision was made to introduce local associations within Amnesty Sweden and that the districts will eventually be phased out. In the last issue of Insats, you could read about the proposal and also about the focus group that helped develop the proposal (on pages 10-11). If you have thoughts and ideas you want to bring forward, you now have the opportunity to join the focus group, which currently consists of three activists from different parts of the country.

If you want to join the focus group, register your interest <u>here</u> and you will be contacted.

CONTACT PERSONS AT THE NATIONAL SECRETARIAT

At Amnesty's secretariat we who work in the Engagement team are the ones responsible for supporting the activists and groups in Al Sweden. We work from Stockholm, Gothenburg and Malmö. Below you can read about who we are and what we do. Please get in touch! If you are unsure who to contact or if your contact person

is on leave you can always contact us by e-mailing to engagemang@amnesty.se which is our teams e-mail address.

STOCKHOLM

In Stockholm Agneta Khan works as the Youth Coordinator. She is the contact person for all youth groups and also supports the Youth Council and the Student Council. Ellinor Chamoun works as an Activism Coordinator and is the contact person for all groups in Stockholm, Uppsala, Mälardalen, Gotland, Östergötland/Södra Sörmland, Örebro and Gästriland/Dalarna. The Head of Engagement Ida Wistbacka also works from Stockholm.

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MALMÖ

In Malmö Marianne Gyllenpistol and Nathalie Parra Jakupovic works as Activism Coordinators. Nathalie is the contact person for all groups in Malmö, Lund, Halland, Jönköping, Kalmar-Kronoberg, Blekinge and the rest of Skåne. Marianne coordinates our activism work for women's and LGBTI person's rights and also works for Climate

Justice. She is responsible for the activity grants (verksamhets- och aktivitetsbidrag) and she will also be the Project Manager for this year's Activism Seminar. During June Clara-Nishani Holm works her last month in Malmö as an Activism Coordinator mainly focusing on youth activism and will also work with introducing Nathalie who will start her new position on the 1st of June.

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