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VIETNAM

Family Situation

Y Pum Bya is married with children

Charged with:

"undermining national unity policy"

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On April 10, 2018, Montagnard Church of Christ leader Y Pum Bya was arrested during a police raid at a church member's home during an unregistered church meeting. He was accused of spreading false information about Vietnam's violations of minority rights, and religious freedom, in order to convince people to join efforts to establish an independent state.

At the police station, he was interrogated, tortured, and forced to sign a statement agreeing to stop worshipping in a group while belonging to the Gospel Missionary Church.

Y Pum Bya had previously been threatened with arrest for his religious activities. On March 15, 2017, he requested permission to register unregistered religious activities in Ea Dron Commune, but his request was rejected and police threatened him with arrest and imprisonment if he continued to engage in his religious activities.

On January 31, 2019, Y Pum Bya was sentenced to 14 years in prison and four years probation, for 'undermining national unity policy' under Article 87/1999. He is currently imprisoned at Gia Trung Prison in Gia Lai Province.

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Prison Address:

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Write to the Vietnamese Embassy:

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