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Dear Mr Bruder Müller,

Urgent Request for BASF to Withdraw from Xinjiang and Request for Meeting

We write with great concern regarding BASF's involvement in Xinjiang, China, as widely and credibly reported this week. The reports indicate the shocking degree to which your company appears to be implicated in gross abuses of the Uyghur and other predominantly Turkic minorities in the region.

As advocates for corporate responsibility, human rights due diligence and respect for basic rights, we urge BASF to withdraw from Xinjiang. The credibility and integrity of your company are at stake, and we believe it is crucial for you to take swift and decisive action in addressing this matter.

In addition, we request an urgent meeting to discuss this issue in-depth. Transparency is key in situations like these, and I believe that a dialogue between concerned stakeholders and company leadership is necessary to understand the steps being taken to address concerns. This meeting would provide an opportunity to outline the actions BASF plans to undertake to ensure the company operates in accordance with the highest ethical standards.

It is our hope that BASF will take this matter seriously and prioritise the well-being of those in Xinjiang who are suffering grievously under oppressive and discriminatory policies.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this urgent matter and are confident that, by addressing these concerns head-on, BASF can reaffirm its commitment to ethical business practices.

Yours sincerely,

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