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Dear Mr. President,

I am writing about **José Daniel Ferrer García**, leader of the unofficial political opposition group "Patriotic Union of Cuba". He has been held in solitary confinement since 14 August 2021, with segregation from other prisoners and very limited access to the outside world.

**García** was last able to communicate with his family by telephone on 4 June 2022 and was last permitted only a 10-minute visit with his wife on 11 October 2022. Additionally, his family says he has been held in a cell separated from other prisoners since August 2021.

Prolonged solitary confinement and segregation from other prisoners may violate the prohibition of torture and other ill-treatment.

He was detained on 11 July 2021, before he reached island-wide mass protests. **José Daniel Ferrer García** is a prisoner of conscience as he is imprisoned solely for his consciously held beliefs. I call on you to immediately release him. Pending that, I urge you to allow his family regular visits and communication with him.

Yours sincerely,