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Sir

**UGANDA: MURDER OF DAVID KATO**

I am writing to correct an impression you and fellow Members of the European Parliament may have that the murder of David Kato was a result of his championing the rights of gays and lesbians in Uganda. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

The late David Kato went to a Uganda prison and caused his male prostitute to be released. He took the ex-prisoner to his home and had sex with him. David Kato failed to pay for the services rendered to him. This angered the sex worker, who hit David Kato with a blunt object, gravely injuring him. He locked the late David Kato in the house and walked away.

Unfortunately, David Kato died from the injuries inflicted by his sex partner. However, David Kato should share responsibility in this very unfortunate incident.

You and I know that men take advantage of female prostitutes, including the Police in some countries. They have sex with the female prostitutes; refuse to pay and walk away, knowing there will be no consequences. The same is not necessarily true in cases involving male prostitutes because they have the physical capability to defend their interests.

David Kato assumed the risk for have sex with a male partner and failing to pay. The Uganda Government fulfilled its obligation in apprehending the culprit. The case is in Court and due process will deliver justice. I can assure you that the culprit will get a fair trial, will be found guilty and will receive maximum sentence, which could be death at the gallows.

However, this may not happen, given H.E. President Museveni's record. He has for the last 20 years persistently refused to sign Death Warrants, without which no execution can take place.

Mr. President, as it is likely that this matter could come up in the JPA, please allow me to copy this communication to the Co-Presidents of the JPA and EUP/ACP Secretaries General.

I am obliged to forward the European Parliament Resolution on Uganda to H.E. the President of Uganda and the Speaker of the Uganda Parliament.

On a personal note, I think the way the EC/EU/EP are going about the interests and rights of LGBT people is not correct, is, counter productive, endangering, and inciting violence against them and may not yield the intended results. I am open to dialogue on this matter at your bidding.

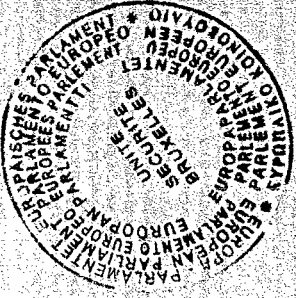
Respectfully Yours



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