

Dear participants,

We have received information regarding UN Special Rapporteur Maina Kiai's appearance at the UN General Assembly to report worldwide threats to freedom of assembly and associations during election periods. Please, refer below for detailed information.

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Dear friends & partners,

UN Special Rapporteur Maina Kiai will appear before the UN General Assembly on Oct. 29 to present a key report on worldwide threats to freedom of assembly and associations during election periods.

Kiai's presentation will begin at 3 p.m. (US Eastern Standard Time), and will be broadcast live on the UN website, www.un.org.

The report documents a growing crackdown on assembly and association rights during election periods, and contends that such measures threaten to "indelibly stain" the legitimacy of democracy in some countries. It concludes that genuine elections cannot be achieved if the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association are curtailed.

Please see attached for a press release regarding the event.

A copy of the report in English is attached. It is available in the other five official UN languages here: http://freeassembly.net/rapporteurreports/elections-report-to-the-ungeneral-assembly/

Regards,

