We would like to draw your attention to the case of Mr. Od Sayavong and Mr. Phetphouthon Philachan.

Mr. Sayavong is a citizen of the LaoPDR who was a migrant worker in Thailand. During his time in Thailand, he began working for human rights and democracy in Laos in 2015. He applied for resettlement to a third country from a UN refugee agency, and was linked to the "Free Lao Group," a network of migrant workers and activists living in exile in Bangkok and occasional protests held and campaigned peacefully for human rights and democracy in Laos. Several members of the network told HRW that they had been monitored and intimidated by Thai and Lao authorities. Mr. Syavong disappeared without a trace on August 26 2019. Colleagues of the Lao activist filed a complaint with Thai police on September 2, 2019, but no progress in the investigation was reported. On September 7, HRW expressed concern over possible foul play in Od's disappearance. They accused the Lao government of arbitrarily arresting and detaining activists and those considered critical of the government.

Mr. Phetphouthon Philachan also active in the same group disappeared after visiting his family in Vientiane on November 13, 2019. Apparently, Mr Philachan was arrested by the police, which they in turn denied. However, the information from relatives is clear. Immediately after his arrest, Mr Philachan disappeared. Both activists also campaigned for the release of the 3 bloggers from 2015.

Thank you for your attention, you can reply this Email for more informations and you can publish our report like you want.

Best regards

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