Chief Procurator Chen Yong

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Dear Chief Procurator Chen,

On 6 January 2025, filmmaker Chen Pinlin (陈品霖) was sentenced to three and a half years in prison on charges of “picking quarrels and provoking trouble”. He was arrested on 5 January 2024 and targeted for his efforts to uphold freedom of expression and defend other human rights, particularly through his film about the White Paper movement.

While detained, Chen Pinlin is subjected to inhumane treatment, including extremely overcrowded sleeping conditions and only being allowed one hour of outdoor activity per month.

I urge you to ensure the immediate and unconditional release of Chen Pinlin. Pending his release, he should be treated humanely and in accordance with the (Implementing Measures of the) Prison Regulations.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Yours sincerely,