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**CHAU VAN KHAM, VIET NAM**

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FOR HIS HUMAN  
RIGHTS WORK**

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Chau Van Kham, a 71 year old Vietnamese Australian, is a baker and enjoys reading, gardening, cooking, and doing charity work.

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Kham was detained within hours of arriving in Viet Nam in 2019 and sentenced to 12 years in prison for being a member of the group, Viet Tan. He went with his organisation to peacefully “monitor the human rights situation” in the country, and instead was charged with “terrorism to oppose the government”.

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Kham’s wife and children have grave concerns for his well being, especially as he suffers from several different health problems.

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Prison conditions in Vietnam are notoriously harsh, with regular testimonies from detainees about the poor food quality, lack of drinking water and the absence of adequate medical treatment. With no family allowed to visit him, and no lawyers in Vietnam actively working on his case, there is no way to monitor Kham’s health condition and ensure he receives the medical care he needs.

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Amnesty considers Kham a prisoner of conscience - detained solely for peacefully exercising his right to freedom of expression.

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**Call for Kham’s immediate and unconditional release so he can be safely reunited with his family in Australia.**

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## ACT NOW

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Write to the State President of Viet Nam and tell him to free Kham immediately and unconditionally.

Grab a petition and start collecting names and emails

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## SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

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Print off the solidarity letter template and write a message of support to Chau Van Kham’s family.

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## SEND TO

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Post your petitions, letters, and solidarity letters to:

Amnesty International Australia,  
Locked Bag 23, Broadway NSW  
2007 Australia.

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Make sure you post them to us by 31 January 2021.

We’ll post them to the target, and make sure that Kham’s family get your solidarity messages.

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