



Betty Williams, Ireland - 1976  
Máiread Corrigan Maguire, Ireland - 1976  
Rigoberta Menchú Tum, Guatemala - 1992  
Prof. Jody Williams, USA - 1997  
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Prime Minister Stephen Harper  
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Dear Prime Minister Harper,

Please see attached an open letter sent to President Hu Jintao on behalf of six women Nobel Peace Laureates of the Nobel Women's Initiative, expressing their concern over the current violence in Tibet.

We have been disappointed by the silence of the international community, and believe the Government of China's violence against protesters, and threats of mass arrests and severe punishment, warrant a strong response by members of the international community.

Prime Minister Harper, you met with His Holiness the Dalai Lama not long ago. It was a brave and welcome act. His Holiness and the people of Tibet need your support now more than ever.

We hope you will stand with His Holiness and the people of Tibet, and call on China to exercise restraint in dealing with the protesters, allow foreign journalists entry to all parts of China, and engage in meaningful dialogue with all parties.

Sincerely,

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