## **Petition for Serious Consideration**

To: Hon. Thomas J. McAvoy U.S. District Court Judge, Northern District of New York 15 Henry Street Binghamton, New York 13901

Dear Judge McAvoy:

We the undersigned hereby petition you to give serious consideration to a 2255 motion being made to you by Yassin Aref that requests a new trial or dismissal of the terrorism-related charges against him.

Aref was convicted in 2006 and sentenced to fifteen years in 2007 in a case where the outcome was largely determined by secret evidence. Now Aref has evidence that the U.S. government targeted the wrong person, confusing him with an Al Qaeda agent who is now dead, and that this false identification was secretly given to the court to ensure Aref's conviction.

We ask for serious consideration of Yassin Aref's assertion that the government targeted and convicted an innocent man.

## Sincerely,

Signature	Name Printed	Address	City	State	Zip	Email