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To RA Prosecutor General G. Kostanyan Copy to: Chief of the RA Special Investigation Service V. Shahinyan

I am informing you that around 11:00 on June 25, 2016 a group of police officials approached Shahen Shant Harutyunyan from the vicinity of the Central Square of the RA Gyumri city, who was standing on the same site, and illegally, without introducing themselves and presenting any grounds, abducted the latter by twisting his hands. Shahen Harutyunyan was forced into a white car of 33FF330 state plate and left the city of Gyumri, taking the highway to Lori region. Reaching Spitak, the car transporting Sh. Harutyunyan, proceeded in the direction of Yerevan. Reaching Yerevan, the police officials took abducted Sh. Harutyunyan to 6<sup>th</sup> General Department on Combating Organized Crime of the RA Police, without providing the latter any explanation why he had been abducted and taken to the police station.

Thus, around 11:00 on June 25, 2016 the police officials obviously exceeded the scope of their powers and committed an open crime by abducting the citizen from the Central Square of Gyumri.

Taking the aforementioned as grounds, I turn to you with a request to undertake urgent measures and stop the illegal actions against Shahen Harutyunyan, initiate a criminal case against perpetrating police officials, who committed unconcealed crime and the individuals, who gave the latter such orders, as well as eliminate the violations of Shahen Harutyunyan's rights and freedoms.

Best regards, Organization Chairman:

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