

April 1, 2020

The Honourable Bill Blair
Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON
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Dear Minister Blair:

I am writing to draw your attention to the ongoing hunger strike started on March 24, 2020 by people detained at the Laval Immigration Holding Centre in Québec.

It is wrong to lock people up in the COVID-19 pandemic without providing them with adequate means to follow public health guidelines.

I am asking that everyone detained be released and that they be provided with housing that is decent and safe.

I am also asking for an end to new holding centres.

Sincerely,

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