

## SAMPLE LETTER FOR PROSECUTION OF PUTIS CASE

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Dear Minister of Defense Antero Flores-Aráoz,

I respectfully greet you. I am a citizen of [country of citizenship] and a [profession/vocation]. I am writing to you about the Putis massacre in which approximately 123 people were murdered in Ayacucho on December 13, 1984. On that day the Peruvian Army presumably murdered at least 123 people, which included rape of women, torture and the killing of small children.

I am outraged by this crime against humanity and concerned that those who committed these murders are brought to justice so that the victims and their families may obtain justice. I urge you to order the Peruvian Army to give to the Public Ministry the names of the officials and others who were stationed in or had authority in Putis at the time the crime was committed, including the names of the alleged perpetrators of this crime. Those responsible must not go unpunished.

As a member of the international community and a person concerned about human rights, I want you to know that I will be following the outcome of the Putis case very closely.

Thank you for your service to the Peruvian citizenry, including your service to those who have suffered horrendous violations of their human rights.

Sincerely,