

Dear President Obama,

I am writing to urge you to speak out on behalf of the people with albinism in East Africa who are persecuted, attacked and murdered because of a genetic condition. In certain parts of East Africa, most notably Tanzania, witch doctors promote the belief that body parts of people with albinism can be made into potions to bring wealth or luck.

As a result, a deadly black market has emerged where over the last two years more than 50 adults and children with albinism have been murdered, several others have been maimed, and hundreds of children with albinism are living in fear for their lives in rural outposts.

By speaking out against this brutal practice you can bring awareness to the issue and help to promote the arrest and prosecution of those involved in these crimes. Please add your voice to the growing number of us calling for justice and peace for people with albinism in East Africa.

Sincerely,