Please use the below template to send an email to your local MSP. MSP's will disregard any correspondence from non-constituents, so you need to provide your address. You can find your local MSP here: <u>https://www.theyworkforyou.com/msp/</u>.

If you would prefer not to provide your address, or if you live outside Scotland, you can contact Audrey Nicoll, the convener of the Justice Committee: <u>Audrey.Nicoll.msp@parliament.scot</u>

Thank you!

Dear

You should now be aware of prisoners in Scottish Prisons serving the OLR (Order for Lifelong Restriction) who are being detained indefinitely with no date for release.

Too many of these prisoners have committed minor offences, which was not the intention of a sentence designed to protect the public from the most serious sexual/violent offenders.

Too many have no means of progressing towards release.

Dr Alice Edwards, The UN Special Rapporteur for Torture has condemned the continued use of indefinite sentences in the UK. England and Wales abolished the IPP 12 years ago as a result of Human Rights breaches.

In May 2024, Scottish Ministers were also found to be in breach of Human Rights in relation to rehabilitation courses available to those on OLRs.

Scotland's reputation as a fair and just country is being undermined by the continued existence of the OLR. It is time for the OLR to be abolished and fair resentencing applied to those currently suffering under this unjust, arbitrary sentence.

Yours Sincerely,

Address: