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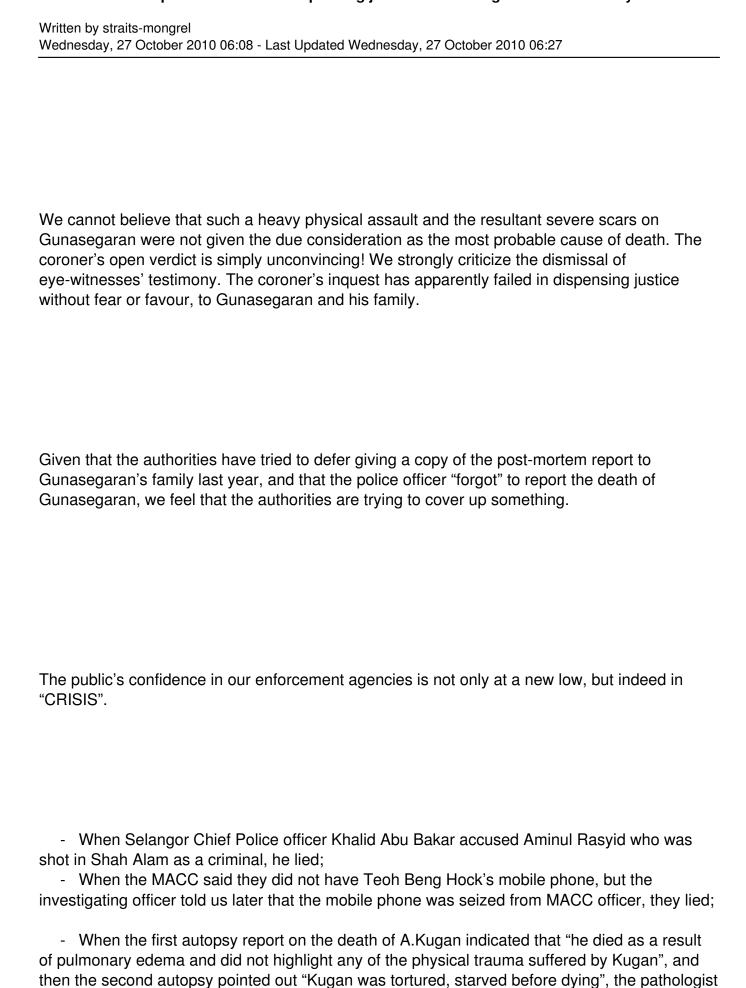


Joint Press Statement by eight (8) Civil Society Groups

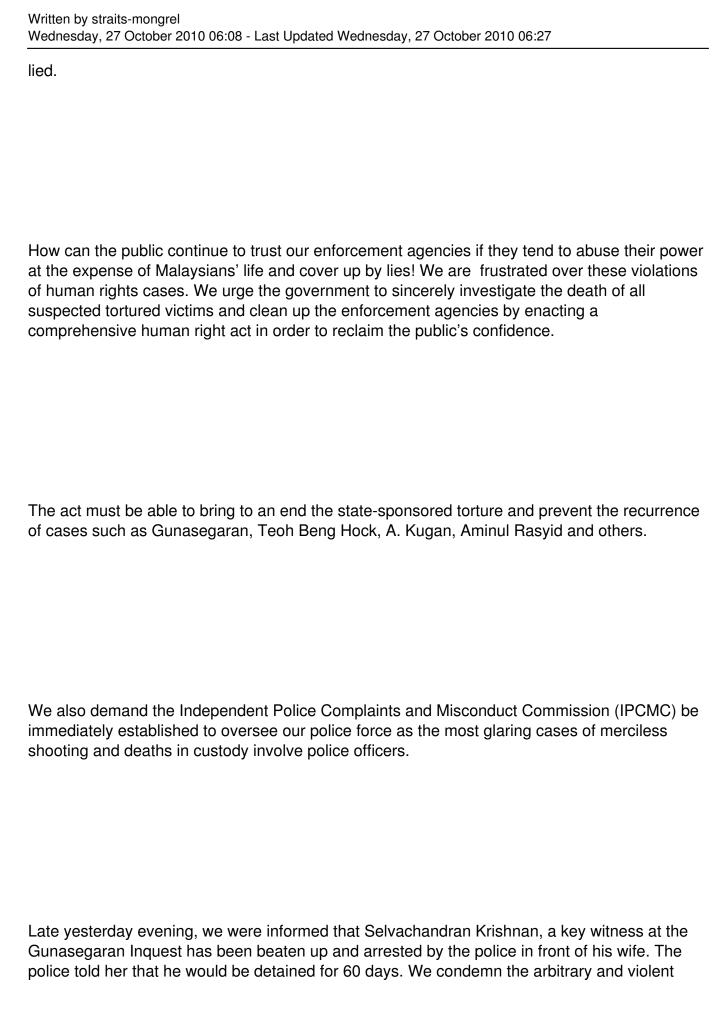
The Coroner's Inquest has failed in dispensing justice to Gunasegaran and his family.

WE, the undersigned organizations, are deeply appalled by the "Open Verdict" of the Coroner presiding at the inquest of R. Gunasegaran who died in police custody on July 16, 2009.

As many as three witnesses have testified at the inquest that Gunasegaran had been kicked and beaten by a police officer until he was unconscious, and the second autopsy has found a 28cm long, 8cm width and 5cm depth scar on his chest.



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arrest of Selvachandran.

We demand an explanation from the new IGP Tan Sri Ismail Omar on the reasons for the arrest. Selvachandran must be released immediately and the police must issue an open apology to the family.

Endorsing organizations:

- 1. Malaysians for Beng Hock
- 2. Saya Anak Bangsa Malaysia [SABM]
- 3. Suara Rakyat Malaysia (SUARAM)
- 4. Civil Rights Committee of KLSCAH (CRC-KLSCAH)
- 5. Youth Section of KLSCAH (YS-KLSCAH)
- 6. Malaysia Youth & Students Democratic Movement (DEMA)
- 7. Persatuan Kesedaran Komuniti Selangor (Empower)
- 8. Civil Society Committee of LLG Cultural Development Centre

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