

Message to the International Community

I have been at home for the past 12 days on furlough from prison. During this time, I have undergone medical tests due to the health issues I presented with in prison. I have received a diagnosis of severe hypercholesterolemia and hypertriglyceridemia for which I have been treated urgently. Other medical tests and consultations are pending.

Thank God, I am recovering well physically and emotionally from the cruel treatment, abuses and torture to which I was subjected for more than 11 years.

I am happy to be with my wife but saddened by the misery my people endure.

I am very proud of the men who were in prison with me. In spite of having unfairly endured incarceration for many years, their heart still burns with the desire for liberty.

I am grateful to Cubans and the international community for expressing their solidarity by the support they have offered me throughout these past years.

Sincerely,

**Dr. Oscar Elías Biscet**

President of Lawton Foundation of Human Rights

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