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Dear Minister Ahern,

We are writing to you to express our opposition to the proposed banning of our fraternal organisation in the Czech Republic, the KSM. The banning of this popular movement is criminalising a large section of their population, those young people engaged in struggle for a better country and a better world.

We would ask you to express our concern at the anti-democratic actions of the Czech state to your contacts there in government. It is vital that this nation stands up for what is right and just globally in a world increasingly void of democratic voices.

The Connolly Youth Movement will continue to highlight the struggle of our brothers and sisters in Czech Republic to the wider Irish population.

We, with our comrades across the globe, will continue to struggle for democracy and socialism here in Ireland and everywhere around the world.

*First they came for the Communists,
but I was not a communist so I did not speak out.
Then they came for the Socialists and the Trade Unionists,
but I was neither, so I did not speak out.
Then they came for the Jews,
but I was not a Jew so I did not speak out.
And when they came for me, there was no one left to speak out for me.*
Pastor Martin Niemöller

Best regards,

Gareth Murphy
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