

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany
4645 Reservoir Road, NW
Washington, DC 20007

Re.: Release of the Furdui Children to their Parents

Your Excellencies:

On April 26, 2021 Jugendamt unlawfully seized seven (7) children from the family of Petru and Camelia Furdui, a family of Romanian immigrants living in Walsrode, Lower Saxony. The children were between one year and 15 years of age at that time. Only the smallest of the children was born in Germany.

The children were seized largely due to the Family's Christian faith and parenting style which is based on the Bible. Interviews Jugendamt conducted with the parents and the children largely focused on the Family's Evangelical faith and religious practices.

I, along with many others, am appalled at the gross violation of the parental and religious rights of the Family and of the children and respectfully request that the children be immediately reunited with their parents.

I will continue to inform those around me of the crass violation of the human rights of the Family and of the children until the children are reunited with their parents.

The children have expressed a desire to return home and live with their parents and with one another. Currently, the children live in residential homes or with social families, separated from one another and from their parents. Pressure is applied on the children to sever their emotional ties with their parents and to cease speaking Romanian when meeting with their parents. These practices are inhumane and undignifying and have no place in a civilized society.

In closing, I reiterate my solidarity with the Furdui Family and the captive children and respectfully request that they be immediately released and returned to their parents.

Respectfully,

Name

Signature

Date: _____

City of Residence: _____