



Prisoners for Peace Honour Roll 2011

Armenia

Armenia continues to imprison conscientious objectors who refuse to perform the substitute service, which is under the control of the Ministry of Defence.

- [Gor Aslanyan](#) (27 Jul 2009—26 Jan 2012)
- [Grigor Safaryan](#) (4 Sep 2009—3 Mar 2012)
- [Levon Vardanyan](#) (18 Jan 2010—17 Jan 2012)
- [Artur Torosyan](#) (9 Mar 2010—8 Sep 2012)
- [Samvel Prutyun](#) (23 Mar 2010—22 Sep 2012)
- [Arayik Nahapetyan](#) (11 Apr 2010—10 Apr 2012)
- [Levon Tumanyan](#) (5 May 2010—4 Nov 2012)
- [Rafael Khalatov](#) (19 May 2010—18 May 2012)
- [Suren Tonoyan](#) (6 Jun 2010—8 Jun 2012)
- [David Khghatyan](#) (19 Jul 2010—18 Jul 2012)
- [Andranik Bagiryan](#) (2 Aug 2010—1 Feb 2013)
- [Levon Avakyan](#) (3 Aug 2010—2 Feb 2013)
- [Edouard Ohandjanyan](#) (3 Aug 2010—2 Aug 2012)
- [Alik Davtyan](#) (4 Aug 2010—3 Feb 2013)
- [Manuk Khechoyan](#) (9 Aug 2010—8 Feb 2013)
- [Hakob Engibaryan](#) (24 Aug 2010—23 Nov 2012)
- [Harutyun Mnatsakanyan](#) (25 Aug 2010—24 Aug 2013)
- [Gor Mesropyan](#) (27 Aug 2010—26 Feb 2013)
- [Vardan Antonyan](#) (11 Sep 2010—10 Mar 2013)
- [Anri Khachatryan](#) (29 Sep 2010—28 Sep 2012)
- [Nikolayi Poghosyan](#) (21 Oct 2010—20 Apr 2013)
- [Ashot Voskanyan](#) (2 Feb 2011—1 Feb 2014)
- [Harutyun Kirakosyan](#) (9 Mar 2011—8 Sep 2013)
- [Hayk Sargsyan](#) (8 Apr 2011 — 7 Oct 2013)

Erebuni Penal Institutions

Jehovah's Witness CO. Sentenced for refusing to perform military service (article 327, para 1)

- [Arkadi Mardoyan](#) (28 Aug 2009—27 Feb 2012)
- [Vanik Soghomonyan](#) (31 Aug 2009—29 Feb 2012)
- [Raphael Manukyan](#) (17 Sep 2009—16 Mar 2012)
- [Spartak Khanumyan](#) (28 Dec 2009—27 Jun 2012)
- [Hovhannes Kasemyan](#) (2 Feb 2010—1 Feb 2012)
- [Karapet Sargsyan](#) (18 Mar 2010—17 Mar 2012)
- [Zorayr Arakelyan](#) (14 Apr 2010—12 Oct 2012)
- [Vahagn Alikhanyan](#) (24 Sep 2010—23 Mar 2013)

Artik Penal Institution

Armenia
Jehovah's Witness CO. Sentenced for refusing to perform military service (article 327, para 1)

- [Lyudvik Arshakyan](#) (7 Sep 2009—6 Mar 2012)
- [Karapet Aghadjanyan](#) (22 Sep 2009—21 Mar 2012)
- [Artak Kroyan](#) (30 Sep 2009—29 Mar 2012)
- [Vardan Vardanyan](#) (19 Jan 2010—18 Jan 2012)
- [Taron Pirapyan](#) (2 Mar 2010—1 Sep 2012)
- [Ashot Khachikyan](#) (29 Mar 2010—28 Mar 2012)
- [David Martirosyan](#) (29 Mar 2010—28 Mar 2012)
- [Narek Seyranyan](#) (22 Apr 2010—21 Apr 2012)
- [Narek Chinaryan](#) (21 May 2010—20 May 2012)
- [Narek Pogosyan](#) (24 May 2010—23 Nov 2012)
- [Derenik Minasyan](#) (11 Aug 2010—10 Aug 2013)
- [Vahe Avetisyan](#) (13 Aug 2010—12 Aug 2012)
- [Artashes Arshakyan](#) (6 Sep 2010—5 Mar 2013)
- [Aharon Musheghyan](#) (12 Nov 2010—11 Nov 2013)

- [David Muradyan](#) (30 Dec 2010—29 Jun 2012)
- [Samvel Sargsyan](#) (3 Feb 2011—2 Aug 2013)
- [Arman Nersisyan](#) (14 Mar 2011—13 Mar 2013)
- [Hovik Gasparyan](#) (11 Apr 2011—10 Oct 2013)

Kosh Penal Institution

Kosh

Armenia

Jehovah's Witness CO. Sentenced for refusing to perform military service (article 327, para 1)

- [Hovhannes Sardaryan](#) (1 Jul 2011—30 Jun 2013)
- [Artur Adyan](#) (7 Jul 2011—6 Jan 2014)
- [Vahagn Margaryan](#) (7 Jul 2011—6 Jan 2014)
- [Garegin Avetisyan](#) (19 Jul 2011—18 Jan 2014)
- [Harutyun Khachatryan](#) (27 Jul 2011—)
- [Edouard Sargsyan](#) (6 Aug 2011—5 Aug 2013)

Nubarashen Penal Institution

Nubarashen Prison

Yerevan

Armenia

Jehovah's Witness CO. Sentenced for refusing to perform military service (article 327, para 1)

Egypt

- [Maikel Nabil Sanad](#) (29 Mar 2011—28 Mar 2014)

El-Marg prison

El-Kalag, El-Khanka, Qalyubeya

Conscientious objector. Arrested on 29 March on charges of "insulting the military" and "obstructing public security". Sentenced to three years' imprisonment on 10 April 2011.

Eritrea

Eritrea continues to imprison conscientious objectors. WRI has no recent information on the situation of the conscientious objectors listed below, who have – to WRI's knowledge – not been charged.

- [Paulos Eyassu](#) (24 Sep 1994—)
- [Negede Teklemariam](#) (24 Sep 1994—)
- [Isaac Mogos](#) (24 Sep 1994—)
- [Aron Abraha](#) (9 May 2001—)
- [Mussie Fessehaye](#) (1 Jun 2003—)
- [Ambakom Tsegezab](#) (1 Feb 2004—)
- [Bemnet Fessehaye](#) (1 Feb 2005—)
- [Henok Ghebru](#) (1 Feb 2005—)
- [Kibreab Fessejaye](#) (27 Dec 2005—)
- [Bereket Abraha Oqbagabir](#) (1 Jan 2006—)
- [Amanuel Abraham](#) (1 Jan 2007—)
- [Yosief Fessehaye](#) (1 Jan 2007—)

Sawa Camp

Sawa

Jehovah's Witness. Imprisoned for conscientious objection to military service.

- [Yoel Tsegezab](#) (26 Aug 2008—)
- [Nehemiah Hagos](#) (26 Aug 2008—)
- [Samuel Ghirmay](#) (1 Mar 2009—)

Meitir Camp

Meitir

Prisoners for Peace

Action

- On 1 December, put aside at least one hour and write at least four cards to prisoners;
- Get your peace group or class or meeting place to organise a card-writing session;
- Set up a stall in your town centre, perform a bit of street theatre, or do whatever else it takes to attract attention and interest.

For the up to date *Prisoners for Peace Honour Roll* go to: <http://wri-irg.org/node/4718>

Support our future work

For more than 50 years, War Resisters' International has publicised the names and stories of prisoners of conscience. Help us keep up the tradition. Send in a special P4P donation to WRI to help fund next year's research.

Send contributions to: War Resisters' International, 5 Caledonian Rd, London N1 9DX, Britain (email pfp@wri-irg.org).

Jehovah's Witness. Imprisoned for conscientious objection to military service.

Finland

Finland continues to imprison conscientious objectors who refuse both, military and substitute service. At the time of going to press, however, WRI did not have a list of imprisoned conscientious objectors.

- [Ville-Veikka Riihonen](#) (9 Aug 2011—10 Feb 2012)
- Suomenlinnan avovankila**
Suomenlinna C 86
00190 Helsinki

- [Ville Horila](#) (22 Aug 2011—9 Jan 2012)

Vanajan vankila, Ojoisten osasto
Tampereentie 29
13600 Hämeenlinna

- [Tomi Kähkönen](#) (26 Jul 2011—4 Jan 2012)

Kestilän vankila
Turppasentie 2
92700 Kestilä

India

- [Irom Sharmila Chanu](#)

6 Nov 2000 —

On 2 November, 2000 Irom Sharmila Chanu, a Manipuri poet decided to go on a hunger strike after the Indian Army massacred ten civilians in Malom, Manipur. On 6 November 2000 she was arrested by the police and charged with attempt to commit suicide under section 307 of the Indian Penal Code. On 21 November 2000 a plastic tube was inserted into her nose and liquid nutrient was inserted into

her body. She is being force-fed and has been surviving on this liquid diet and in solitary confinement as a high security prisoner for more than ten years. She is routinely released every year only to be re-arrested again.

Korea, South

South Korea continues to imprison conscientious objectors. On 30 August 2011, the Constitutional Court again rejected the right to conscientious objection, although the UN Human Rights Committee has repeatedly ruled on cases from South Korea that not to provide for conscientious objection is a violation of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, and beliefs.

The great majority of conscientious objectors in South Korea are Jehovah's Witnesses. On 1 November, 776 of Jehovah's Witnesses served sentences of 18 months. A list of imprisoned Jehovah's Witnesses is available at <http://www.jw-media.org/kor/20110901rpt.htm>.

Below is a list of imprisoned conscientious objectors who are not Jehovah's Witnesses. In addition, activists nonviolently campaigning against the construction of a new US military base on Jeju Island are in prison.

[Youngjun Kim \(#841\)](#) (28 Jan 2011—27 Jul 2012)
Uijeongbu prison
P.O. Box 99, Uijeongbu, Gyeonggi-Do, South Korea, 480-700
Conscientious objector. Sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for refusing military service.

[Jihwan Ahn \(#530\)](#) (17 Feb 2011—16 Aug 2012)
[Teajun Lee \(#2164\)](#) (23 Feb 2011—22 Aug 2012)
[Moon Myungjin \(#837\)](#) (11 Apr 2011—10 Oct 2012)
Youngdeungpo prison
837, P.O Box 165, Geumcheon-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea, 153-600
Sentenced to 18 months imprisonment for refusing military service.

[Sangwoo Kang \(#1011\)](#) (24 Feb 2011—23 Aug 2012)
Yeosu Prison
Box 30 P. O. Yeosuucheguk Yeosu-eup, Yeosu-gun Gyeonggi-do, Korea, 469-885
Sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for conscientious objection to military service

[Junkyu Lee \(#1038\)](#) (14 Sep 2011—13 Mar 2013)
Daegu prison
P.O. Box 48, Suseong-gu, Daeju, South Korea, 706-600
Conscientious objector. Sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for refusing military service.

[Joeun Lee \(#3956\)](#) (30 Sep 2011—29 Mar 2013)
Seoul Detention Centre
P.O. Box 20, Gunpo, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea 437-050
Conscientious objector. Sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for refusing military service.

[Kang Dong-Kyun \(#621\)](#) (24 Aug 2011 —)
[Kim Jong-Hwan \(#315\)](#) (24 Aug 2011 —)
[Kim Dong-Won \(#156\)](#) (24 Aug 2011 —)
161 Jeju Prison
Ora-2 dong, Jeju City, Jeju Special Self-Governing Island
Jailed pending trial for "obstructing commerce" – i.e., nonviolent resistance to navy base construction on their village's coastline

Turkey

[Inan Suver](#)
6 Aug 2010 —
Manisa Kapalı Cezaevi
Turgut Özal Mh., 45040 Manisa
Arrested on 6 August 2010 for desertion. According to information received, Inan Suver deserted eight years ago, after 13 months of service.

Turkmenistan

[Navruz Nasrylaev](#) (7 Dec 2009—6 Dec 2011)
[Aziz Roziev](#) (4 Aug 2010—3 Feb 2012)
[Dovleyet Byashimov](#) (12 Aug 2010—11 Feb 2012)
[Ahmet Hudaybergenov](#) (7 Sep 2010—6 Mar 2012)
Seydi Labour Camp
Turkmenistan
746222 Lebap vilayet
Seydi uchr. LB-K/12
Sentenced to imprisonment for refusing to serve in the military (under Article 219 Part 1 of the Criminal Code).

United States of America

[Rafil Dhafir \(11921-052\)](#) (26 Apr 2000—26 Apr 2022)
FCI Terre Haute
POB 33, Terre Haute, IN 47808, USA
22 years for convictions resulting from providing humanitarian and financial aid to Iraqis in violation of U.S. sanctions, February 2005

[Susan Crane \(87783-011\)](#) (26 Jan 2010—25 Apr 2012)
FCI Dublin
5701 8th St. - Camp Parks, Dublin, WA 98198
Part of Disarm Now Plowshares group convicted of felony damage to government property, conspiracy

and trespass for cutting the fence and entering the nuclear weapons storage area at Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor in November 2009. Sentenced to 15 months in prison.

[Carl W. Stewart \(09105-088\)](#) (3 May 2010—2 May 2012)
FPC Montgomery
Federal Prison Camp, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, AL 36112
War tax resister. Pled guilty to filing false income tax returns and failing to file. Sentenced to two years in prison.

[Bradley Manning](#) (15 May 2010—)
JRCF
830 Sabalu Road, Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027
Alleged to have leaked military video and documents showing evidence of US war crimes.

[Stephen Kelly \(87783-011\)](#) (18 Feb 2011—17 May 2012)
FDC SEATAC
P.O. Box 13900, Seattle, WA 98198
Part of Disarm Now Plowshares group convicted of felony damage to government property, conspiracy and trespass for cutting the fence and entering the nuclear weapons storage area at Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor in November 2009. Sentenced to 15 months in prison.

[Bonnie Urfer \(04970-045\)](#) (11 May 2011—6 Jan 2012)
FMC Lexington
Satellite Camp, POB 14525, Lexington, KY 40512
Eight months' imprisonment for trespass at Y12 nuclear weapons complex on 5 July 2010.

[Michael Walli \(92108-20\)](#) (11 May 2011 — 6 Jan 2012)
FCI Elkton
POB 10, Lisbon, OH 44432
Eight months' imprisonment for trespass at Y12 nuclear weapons complex on 5 July 2010.

[Steve Baggarly \(03611-036\)](#) (11 May 2011—6 Jan 2012)
FCI Morgantown
POB 1000, Morgantown, WV 26507
Eight months' imprisonment for trespass at Y12 nuclear weapons complex on 5 July 2010.

[Norman Edgar Lowry Jr. \(11-3659\)](#) (1 Aug 2011—)
Lancaster County Prison
Drawer C, 625 East King St, Lancaster, PA 17602-3199

Arrested at military recruiting office 1 August 2011, awaiting trial



Sending cards and letters

- Always send your card in an envelope;
- Include a return name and address on the envelope;
- Be chatty and creative: send photos from your life, drawings;
- Tell prisoners what you are doing to stop war and war preparations;
- Don't write anything that might get the prisoner into trouble;
- Think about the sort of thing you'd like to receive if you were in prison;
- Don't begin, "You are so brave, I could never do what you have done";
- Don't expect the prisoner to reply;
- Remember-next year it could be you ...