

ZINEB REDOUANE I FRANCE

Zineb Redouane, an 80-year-old woman who lived in Marseille, France, found joy in music and flowers. On the evening of 1 December 2018, Zineb was preparing dinner and chatting to her daughter on the phone in her fourthfloor apartment. In the streets below, people were protesting about poor living conditions in Marseille, after two residential buildings collapsed, killing eight people. Police officers were using tear gas to disperse the protesters.

Realizing that tear gas was entering through her open window, Zineb went to the window to close it. She noticed police officers in the street below. What happened next was truly awful. One of the police officers pointed a tear gas grenade launcher in Zineb's direction and fired. She was hit in the face by an MP7 tear gas grenade.

Zineb was taken to hospital with severe facial wounds and bleeding.

She was suffocating because of the fractures in her jawbone and the collapse of the roof of her mouth. She needed surgery urgently, but it couldn't be completed because she went into cardiac arrest under the anaesthetic. Zineb went into cardiac arrest several more times and died.

Zineb was killed by the reckless use of a tear gas grenade. Nearly four years later, an investigation into her death is still ongoing, and no one has been charged or suspended over the killing. Zineb's family are still waiting for justice.



WRITE TO THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES

Demand full accountability from all those involved in the killing of Zineb Redouane, including the officer who fired the grenade and his chain of command. The judges should consider all existing evidence and, if warranted, ensure all suspects are fairly tried.

Juges d'instruction (Investigating Judges) Tribunal judiciaire de Lyon 67 rue Servient 69003 Lyon France

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Salutation: Dear Investigating Judges

SHOW ZINEB'S FAMILY YOU'RE WITH THEM

Send them messages of solidarity and hope to help them keep strong in their battle for justice. Draw pictures of cats and roses, Zineb's favourite things, to accompany your message. You could even put dried rose petals in the envelope.

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