

To whom it may concern,

I wish to record my opposition to aspects of the new Anti-Terrorism Bill introduced to Parliament on June 18.

The clause about 'associating with a person linked with a terrorist organisation' is a fundamental challenge to individual rights and a backward step in human evolution. Freedom of association was a hard won right granted only recently in history.

In denying such a right, we are becoming the kind of society that breeds terrorism. Keeping citizens safe is of course important but not at the cost of fundamental rights. Turning the clock back is allowing the terrorists to win.

Regards  
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