
ACTIVISTS WANT UN TO PROBE 'GENOCIDE' OF CHINA'S UIGHUR MINORITY

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Nearly two dozen activist groups have said a genocide is taking place against mostly Muslim Uighurs in China's remote Xinjiang region, where a reported one million people are held in camps.

In an open letter signed by groups including the United States-based Uyghur Human Rights Project, Genocide Watch and the European Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, on Tuesday called on the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) to launch an investigation.

Sixteen individuals, including academics from US and European universities, co-signed the letter, which said there was "mounting evidence" that "crimes against humanity and genocide are taking place" in Xinjiang.

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