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## Dear Sergey Melnikoff, honouring you as a brother, allow me to address you informally.

On behalf of the Human Rights Adviser to the Government of the Chechen Republic of Ichkeria, and as a man of the arts who deeply feels the power of symbols and the moral mission of the artist, I express to you my sincere support in the creation of the great proclamation *Allah is Great*.

Your project is not only an artistic gesture but also a spiritual testimony to the resilience of faith and human dignity in the face of trials. In a world where evil strives daily to suppress culture and the memory of peoples, your art reminds us that the strength of the human spirit is born where an artist refuses to remain silent.

The work *Allah is Great* carries within it a powerful ethical impulse. It unites tragedy and hope, pain and enlightenment in a single image. Within it lie respect for the Almighty, for His Word, and for those who continue to live according to the laws of peace and justice even in an age of terrible catastrophes.

For the Chechen people — a people who have endured the tragedies of wars, genocides, exile, and the struggle for their own name — such works have a special significance. They remind us that dignity and faith cannot be destroyed. Your art, founded on genuine compassion and on the conviction of the value of human life, resonates with our historical memory and moral experience.

As an adviser engaged in matters of human rights, I also note the importance of this work in the modern humanitarian context. It becomes the voice of those who have been deprived of the opportunity to be heard. A voice that rises above politics and circumstances, appealing to the conscience of the world.

With all my heart, I wish you, Sergey, strength and inspiration in completing this meaningful sculptural composition. I am confident that the expression so essential for Humanity — *Allah is Great* — will take its rightful place among the works that make our time more comprehensible and make human suffering not in vain.

With respect and appreciation,

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