



### **Gabriel Shipton, brother of Julian Assange, expresses its thanks for the International Blue Planet Award 2024:**

Hello,

and what a wonderful honor it is to be making this video for, accepting such an incredible award.

On behalf of my brother, Julian Assange, I just want to express our gratitude, our deep gratitude to the ethecon foundation, its board and trustees, who have bestowed this award on Julian.

And what a moment, what a wonderful time for us, for our family after such a long road, such a long fight, that we finally have Julian back home with us in Australia.

He's able to spend time with his children now, his five and seven year old sons, Max and Gabriel.

He plays with our Australian indigenous animals out in the bush, really connecting with nature and his family and all those things that were deprived of him for so long.

He's told me a few stories now about picking up blue tongue lizards or the different reptiles that are, that Australia is so famous for, poisonous snakes that he's seen, but also the birds and the ocean, those parts of nature that really recharge all our batteries.

And now doing their work on Julian so that he can get better and rehabilitate and hopefully rejoin us in this continued fight for transparency and justice and peace around the world.

I want to speak a little bit to Julian's sacrifice. It was very, very great.

14 years deprived of his liberty, 7 years in the Ecuadorian embassy, 5 years in a maximum security prison.

He endured endless or many, many years of psychological torture that have left him quite scarred.

And that we all - the entire world - has real, I think, a debt of gratitude to Julian for the work that he did exposing crimes. These crimes against humanity, the corruption that exists around the world, and really making those people who perpetrate those crimes really think twice now when they do it, think twice about one day that they will be exposed and there will be consequences for what they have committed.

Our fight for justice for Julian continues.

We are now pushing and urging both President Biden and President Elect Trump to pardon Julian.



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And really that would send a message, a clear message that journalism is not a crime, that it would unwind this conviction that Julian had to plead guilty to secure his freedom.

So it's so important that we get this pardon and unwind this horrible precedent that has been said in this case.

So I urge you all to go to [pardonassange.org](https://pardonassange.org) and put your name down and sign the open letter to President Biden.

We might not think that this does much, but it always does.

And we found, especially in the fight to free Julian, that it's these small actions that really mount up and snowball and really make a difference.

And that said, I want to thank everybody out there who contributed in a small or large way, to Julian's freedom.

Because it took many, many thousands, hundreds of thousands of people, many millions of dollars, man hours, hours after hours, lawyers, politicians, world leaders all over the world to secure Julian's freedom.

And it was such a huge effort by everyone.

And I just want to extend my gratitude to those people who contributed to Julian's freedom as well.

A very heartfelt thank you from me and my family, and thank you to ethecon for this wonderful award for Julian.

And we can't wait to present it to him back home here in Australia.

Thanks again.



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