Subject: Creation of a Swedish Network for Transitional Justice

Dear Mr. de Greiff,

We are pleased to inform you of the decision to establish a **Swedish Network for Transitional Justice (SNTJ)**. The decision to establish the network was taken in a meeting convened by the Swedish Foundation for Human Rights with the support of the International Legal Assistance Consortium (ILAC) in Stockholm on 27 March 2015.

The network will be primarily comprised of Swedish civil society organizations active in international development, peace and conflict, human rights and rule of law issues. However, the network will also be open to academic researchers concerned with transitional justice issues, and will seek to engage periodically with relevant public sector actors on this topic as well.

The objective of the network, as agreed at the 27 March meeting, will be to "provide a platform for representatives of civil society organizations as well as researchers working on peace and security, development and human rights to exchange experiences and knowledge. The network will serve as a natural point of contact for actors and decision-makers interested in transitional justice, and will increase familiarity with the concept in Sweden."

The SNTJ has been conceived of as a loose coalition to be convened about twice a year by the Swedish Foundation for Human Rights, with support from ILAC. Although a list of organizations and institutions that are currently members of the network is attached, it is anticipated that other organizations and other relevant actors will remain welcome to join in the future.

One of the priorities of the Network is for the organizations involved to keep themselves apprised of developments in this field, and most notably the work of your mandate. We also look forward to providing any appropriate assistance and responding to any questions or inquiries you may have.

We note that the key conclusions of your 19 March 2013 seminar with Swedish organizations were revisited at the founding meeting of the network and the sense of the meeting was that the network should aim to focus on the role of civil society in transitions.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions, and we look forward to a fruitful cooperation in this important area.

Sincerely,



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