



Ambassador of the Argentine Republic

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Dear Mr. Haris Azhar,

It is with great satisfaction that - in the name of the Argentine Government - I let you know that KONTRAS has been awarded the prize "Emilio F. Mignone International Human Rights Prize".

This prestigious prize was established in 2007 by the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship, to grant recognition to foreign institutions or individuals residing abroad that are making, or have made, an outstanding contribution towards the promotion and protection of human rights in their own countries in the fight against impunity in cases involving systematic violations.

KONTRAS was chosen among fifty other nominations from around the world. The evaluation was made by an ad-hoc Committee integrated by a representative of the Human Rights Secretariat of the Ministry of Justice, Security and Human Rights; a representative of Center for Legal and Social Studies (CELS) and the Director General of Human Rights of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Subsequently, the ad-hoc committee agreed on a list of three candidates that were submitted to the Minister of Foreign Affairs for a final decision.

I reiterate my personal congratulation to KONTRAS and its staff for such a deserved prize that bears witness to a long and persistent struggle in the field of Human Rights in Indonesia.

Sincerely yours,

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