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**Colegio de Abogados Penal Internacional**

Your Excellency the President of the Bar Association of Istanbul, Mr. Ümit Kocasakal

Barcelona, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2013

Respected President and dear colleague,

We know the hard situation that you are suffering in Turkey you and a big number of colleagues.

In this sense, we add our support to the editorial published by the President of the “Conseil National des Barreaux”, Bâtonnier Christian Charrière-Bourzanel. At the same time, we have addressed a letter to The Excellency Mr. Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Prime Minister of your Republic, and, of course, to the Spanish Council of Bar Associations, and to the Bar Association of Barcelona, the Bar Association of Madrid and the Bar Association of Valencia, that must have add their support.

In any way, I ask you to indicate us other arrangement that we could do to save the right of defense and the professional work of our Turkish colleagues.

We want that you know, as President of the Bar of Istanbul, that you and the lawyers that are persecuted in your country defending the human rights, have and will have always our support.

Please receive, Respected President, with our regards and testimony of our respect and admiration of the International Criminal Bar of which I am President and all the members.

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President of International Criminal Bar

Former Dean of Barcelona's Bar Association

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