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Mr. Getachaw Engida

Deputy Director-General United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 17 February 2014 (ref.: CI/FEM/FOE/fr/2014/11) requesting the status of legal investigations on the killings of journalists in Indonesia, and wish to provide the following update for each case.

On the case of <u>Herliyanto</u>, three out of seven suspects have been arrested and prosecuted accordingly (Mr. Salim Slamet, Mr. Nipa Kitpanjar, and Mr. Suit). The other four suspects (Mr. Dul Basir, Mr. Sun Slamet, Mr. Leng, and Mr. Lim Jer) have been added to the Indonesian National Police Force fugitives' list.

With regards to the case of <u>Ridwan Salamun</u>, the perpetrators (Mr. Hasan Tamnge, Mr. Ibrahim Raharusun, and Mr. Sahar Renuat) have been sentenced to five years in prison. As for the case of <u>Leiron Kogoya</u>, the perpetrator (Mr. Yogor Telenggen) has been sentenced to ten years in prison.

I also wish to take this opportunity to reaffirm my Government's commitment to press freedom and freedom of expression in Indonesia, including to ensure the safety of journalists, as stipulated in our national law.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

Yosep Tutu

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