

Transparency International's comments on the Independent Review Panel's feedback

Dear members of the Independent Review Panel of the INGO Accountability Charter,

In response to your letter of December 2012 concerning your assessment of our GRI Report for the year 2011, I want to thank you and the INGO Accountability Charter Secretariat for the very thorough appraisal and constructive feedback addressed to us. This is truly and concretely advancing commitments to the Charter.

The locally-based and self-governed National Chapters of Transparency International are highly independent entities dedicated to fighting corruption at the national level in 112 countries, at various stages of our accreditation process. Beside our full commitment to the Charter at international level and interest to promote its principles with partners at national level, we are unfortunately not in a position to enforce the breadth of issues addressed by the International NGO Accountability Charter with our independent Chapters operating under very different national jurisdictions.

For Transparency International Secretariat, as probably the case for a number of Charter member organisations, the Charter and this reporting framework are very helpful in increasing our reporting and indeed in enhancing our operations also on aspects that are not central to the mission of our organisation but nevertheless precious in the quest for a better and more sustainable world. We are fully committed to that.

Kind regards,

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