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Dear Panel Review members,

Thank you for the constructive and insightful feedback you have provided on Amnesty International's 2014 report to the INGO Accountability Charter. Year after year we find the ongoing dialogue with the Panel becoming more fruitful as the Panel's knowledge of Amnesty deepens and our own efforts to improve accountability mature.

We therefore welcome the Panel's suggestion that Amnesty International now reports against all Charter commitments only every two years while providing a brief improvement analysis in the interim year. This change in reporting requirements encourages us to invest our resources, energy and creativity in improving where it most matters. To that view, it is encouraging that the Panel's analysis is pointing to areas of improvement that we have also internally identified as priorities for the next period.

In the following months – and as we are focusing our energies in finalising the global strategy that will guide Amnesty International to 2020 – we are aiming to engage the Amnesty movement in discussions to clarify and strengthen accountability both within our governance model and our approach to strategy delivery. Further developing our programme effectiveness tools and supporting staff to further develop their capabilities will be key elements in ensuring quality in this process. We will share more information about progress in our next brief interim report later this year.

We look forward to continue to work productively with the INGO Accountability Charter and its host organisation, the International Civil Society Centre.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Salil Shetty'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Salil Shetty  
Secretary General