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The Advocates for Human Rights (“The Advocates”) is a volunteer-based nongovernmental organization committed to the impartial promotion and protection of international human rights standards and the rule of law. Established in 1983, The Advocates conducts a range of programs to promote human rights in the United States and around the world, including monitoring and fact finding, direct legal representation, education and training, and publications. The Advocates’ Women’s Human Rights Program has published 23 reports on violence against women as a human rights issue, frequently provides consultation and commentary on drafting laws on domestic violence, and trains lawyers, police, prosecutors, and judges to effectively implement new and existing laws on domestic violence. Recently, a growing number of women from Honduras who have fled gender-based violence have requested legal assistance from The Advocates in seeking asylum in the United States.

The International Action Network on Small Arms (“IANSA”) is the global movement against gun violence, a network of civil society organisations working to stop the proliferation and misuse of guns around the world. We support efforts to make people safer by reducing demand for weapons, improving firearm regulation and strengthening controls on arms transfers. IANSA is the official coordinator of civil society participation in the UN small arms process. Through research, advocacy and campaigning, IANSA members are promoting local, national, regional and global measures to strengthen human security.

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