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Days of Activism Against torture and Ill-treatment Campaign

The 10th of December marks the International Human Rights Day and the World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT) celebrates today the end of its Campaign "10 Days of Activism Against Torture and Ill-treatment".

From the 1st to the 10th of December 2014, OMCT organised, for the third consecutive year, its Campaign "10 Days of Activism Against Torture and Ill-treatment" aiming at mobilizing and alerting public opinion around the world to the fact that torture and ill-treatment are a negation of basic principles of human rights and human dignity and that public support is fundamental to put an end to that scourge.

Through 10 powerful videos, 10 human rights defenders spoke out against torture and discussed the importance of the UN Convention against Torture and its implementation in their respective countries. OMCT would like to thank them for their valuable participation and inspiration in this Campaign, they made it a great success!

The Campaign also shed light on the essential role of human rights defenders, including those members of the OMCT's Network, in the struggle against torture. Human rights defenders are the voice of those who are deprived of it: the victims of torture, ill-treatment, arbitrary detention, summary execution, or forced disappearance.

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Nothing can justify torture
under any circumstances

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social medias or by clicking below on the numbers.**

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**Juan
E. Méndez**

United Nations
Special Rapporteur on Torture

**On the main achievements and
challenges in relation to the
Convention against Torture**

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**Adilur
Rahman Khan**

Bangladesh
Odhikar
Secretary

**On the importance of the examination
of the situation in Bangladesh by the
Committee against Torture 16 years
after the ratification**

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**Liliana
Ortega**

Venezuela
COFAVIC
Directora ejecutiva

**On the importance of civil society
engagement in the reporting process
of the Committee against Torture**

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**Tatiana
Chernobil**

Kazakhstan
Kazakhstan International Bureau
for Human Rights and Rule of Law
Expert

**On the role of civil society
organisations in implementing the
final recommendations of the
Committee against Torture**

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**Mokhtar
Trifi**

Tunisie
Ligue Tunisienne pour la Défense des Droits de l'Homme
Président d'honneur

**On the importance of the National
Prevention Mechanism provided by
the Optional Protocol to the
Convention against Torture in the
prevention of torture in Tunisia**

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**Ana María
Rodríguez**

Colombia
Comisión Colombiana de Juristas
Representante ante Naciones Unidas

**On the significance of accepting the
competence of the Committee against
Torture to examine individual
complaints by Colombia**

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**André
Kangni Afanou**

Togo
CACIT
Directeur exécutif

**On the role of civil society
organisations in the implementation
of the Convention against Torture in
Togo**

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**Rowena
Legaspi**

Philippines
Children's Legal Rights and Development Center
Director

**On the significance of the Convention
against Torture in the struggle against
impunity for cases of torture of
children in the Philippines**

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**Claudia
Samayoa**

Guatemala
UDEFEFUGA
Fundadora y coordinadora

**On the role of the Convention against
Torture in protecting women from
violence in Guatemala**

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**Henri
Tiphagne**

India
People's Watch
Honorary Executive Director

**On the importance of the ratification
of the Convention against Torture as
an important step in the process to
end torture in India**