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Prior to ICJ, Ms. Gil headed the Human Rights Defenders Department of the Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA) where she led advocacy initiatives at the regional and international levels for the implementation of standards under the UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders.

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Honourable Justice Wirat Chinwinigkul, Mr.

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Honourable Justice Wirat Chinwinigkul graduated from Thammasat University with the Bachelor's degree (Honour) in Law and the Thai Bar under the Royal Patronage. He also received the honorary Juris Doctor from Ramkhamhaeng University. He began his career as an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law, Ramkhamhaeng University. In 1981, he transferred to be a judge. As the judge, he held several key positions, such as Judge of the

Phuket Provincial Court and the Thon Buri Kwaeng Court, Chief Judge of the Songkhla Juvenile and Family Court and the Songkhla Provincial Court, Deputy Chief Justice, Region VIII and IX, Research Justice of the Juvenile and Family Division of the Supreme Court, Secretary of the Supreme Court, Research Justice of the Supreme Court, Justice of the Supreme Court and Secretary-General of the Office of the Judiciary.

During the period of his services in the courts until now as the executive of the Office of Judiciary, he has provided many important contributions in the protection of children, juveniles and family along with the rehabilitation and support for children and juveniles. He has emphasized the protection of people's rights and liberty with the awareness of human rights especially those relating to offenders who are children, juveniles, women and family members. He has continually cooperate and support various projects under initiatives of Her Royal Highness Princess Bajrakitiyabha in order to protect the rights of female detainees and women survivors of domestic violence, including other family members. On the coming date of October 1, B.E. 2556 (2013), Hon. Justice Wirat Chinwinigkul will be appointed as Vice President of the Supreme Court – a significant position to supervise trial and adjudication of the Supreme Court – in order to protect civil rights in proceedings, the rights of children, juveniles, women and those who suffer from domestic violence in particular.