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Subject: The People's Commission on Immigration Security Measures

Dear Organizers of The People's Commission on Immigration Security Measures,

It is the pleasure of the Immigrant Workers Center (IWC) to support The People's Commission on Immigration Security Measures. In our commitment to the rights of immigrants, we believe that it is crucial that attention be drawn to the discriminatory and prejudicial nature of the Immigration Act's security measures.

We believe that it is important that the voices of those most affected by these measures be given the resources and forum to express the abuse that these communities experience. We also support Mr. Charkaoui's constitutional challenge to security certificates. The Immigrant Workers Center is committed to assisting the commission's development of recommendations for appropriate legal or popular action against those responsible for abuses and for changes to the current legal and procedural framework.

As a contribution to the work of the commission, we will help mobilize action and support, as well as publicize the final results of the commission. Jill Hanley, a community organizer at the IWC, will serve as a researcher for the commission.

We look forward to working with the commission in an effort to support immigrant communities in their struggle for justice.

Sincerely,

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Coordinator