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## **Regarding Norwegian NHRI and Refusal to Deal with Human Rights Issues**

We refer to our previous communication, in which we hold the Norwegian NHRI responsible for defending tyrannical principles rather than human rights principles, and where the SCA, following deliberation, decides not to take any further action.

On behalf of the Spirit of the UN Charter, we do not accept this decision. On behalf of drug users everywhere, we want to complain about this decision. And on behalf of the integrity of the UN Human Rights apparatus, we remind that this is a very serious matter—one that has been escalating into near catastrophe for UN and state bureaucracy, as well as persecuted populations.

Indeed, for ten years the Norwegian state has persecuted drug law violators outside the perimeters of constitutional law. For 7 years, the ECtHR has ignored the rights of European drug users. And for six years, the UN human rights apparatus has been informed of this situation but refused its support.

Worse than that: with SCA's decision, the UN Human rights apparatus has clearly sided with tyrannical precepts against First principles, and we ask that the SCA take another look at the evidence.

A report has already been produced, one that speaks to the situation. At the COE, the Pompidou group and the Private office of the Secretary General have accepted this report and are currently looking into its implications; it has also been delivered to the UN Human Rights Committee and others, and we believe that it will help SCA to see the bigger picture.

Attached, therefore, you will find *Human Rising: The Prohibitionist Psychosis and its Constitutional Implications* (2018). We present this report as evidence that the Norwegian NHRI has ignored its human rights obligations and that the SCA—to realign with the spirit of the Charter—must reverse its decision.



We maintain not only that a crime against humanity is being committed in Norway (and elsewhere) and that the UN human rights apparatus has a duty to ensure an effective remedy; we also maintain our unyielding defense of First principles—and our organization will continue to work for the betterment of humanity, while holding responsible those officials who continue to undermine common cause.

When it comes to this, the Norwegian NHRI has clearly failed to meet the standards expected by human rights law. We therefore remind SAC-officials of your oath to the Charter. And we ask those of you, who care for the rule of law, to recognize the impossibility of the situation.

Internationally, the troubled relationship between the ideology of prohibition and human rights is getting more and more attention. Last year alone, three constitutional courts (Georgia, Mexico, South Africa) invalidated the drug law, and the Executive Secretary of the COE has asked the presidency of the Pompidou group to make our complaint known to individual countries.

Thus, provided that officials take their human rights pledge seriously, the implications of principled reasoning will soon be at the heart of the international debate. No matter what, the people are waking up to the reality of oppression, and those UN officials who abide by their oath should not wait too long before speaking up in defense of First principles. In this regard, the SCA has a certain responsibility, and we look forward to your response.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Roar Mikalsen'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Roar Mikalsen  
President of AROD