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To The Norwegian Nobel Committee
Harik Ibsens Gate 51
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Subject: Nomination of the International Association of Judicial Independence and World Peace for the Nobel Peace Prize

Dear Nobel Committee Members,

At the modern age society started to recognize the increasing role of law and justice in peacekeeping, business stability, and order. The prescient words of Immanuel Kant, that law is the most precious thing God has on Earth, is filled with the new and more real content. Today law is the main measure of equity, and justice is the fundamental instrument of implementing this important social function of law. In this regard initiative of the number of national judicial bodies and international institutions on nominating the International Association of Judicial Independence and World Peace for the Nobel Peace Prize 2013 shall receive the world support.

Over 30 years Association has consistently pursued the policy on improving the instrument of law and justice, strengthening the authority and independence of judiciary, the fairness and impartiality of justice. The guarantees of securing judges' independence have been developed and implemented due to the Association's international research and nowadays are the basis for principles of justice in various countries and aimed to providing unified fair proceedings in any democratic state regardless the place of its execution.

Association and its members – scientists of the world leading universities, judges of national and international courts, advocates, - have developed the new principles of judicial independence that designed to reveal the major elements of freedom, democracy and human rights. This has been done during the key international conferences and while drafting projects of international standards and declarations. The activity of the Association on organizing international conferences, where matters of judicial independence are discussed, allows to promptly identifying current problems of ensuring a fair trial, to find appropriate solutions and to promote ideals of independence and impartiality of justice all over the world.

The Association has significantly contributed to drafting international documents, including the Code of Minimum Standards of Judicial Independence (1982), the Universal Declaration on the Independence of Justice (1983), the International Standards of Judicial Independence (2007) that are now applied by many courts around the world. The Association's researches certainly facilitate ensuring the actual independence of judicial power on a global scale.

The Russian School of Private Law is the only school of high civil mastery in Russia, provides the opportunity for young specialists to have a touch to the actual scientific research works of the gurus of a legal profession. The school is developing as a whole educational and research complex and a self-improving system, that is able to react to changes in political, economical, legal spheres of life, to develop solutions that answer the necessity of practice, to execute relevant scientific researches. We believe that the development of substantive law is impossible without the fair procedure law. Therefore, we fully recognize importance of the activity of the International Association of Judicial Independence and World Peace and support its nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize 2013 for the outstanding contribution in developing the world culture of judicial independence and promoting democracy, human rights, freedom and peace.

Kind regards,

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