

**Insamlingsstiftelsen the Swedish Foundation in Support of Human Rights Watch (“Human Rights Watch Sweden”)
Org. no. 802478-1885**

The following document, together with the Conflict of Interest policy, the Whistleblower policy, and all relevant employment policies, describe the conduct we expect of our board, our staff, our volunteers, and all who are associated with the Foundation. The Mission Statement and Core Values shall be posted on our website, along with the annual report and the statutes of the foundation, and these documents shall, along with the Internal Values statement, be given to all members of the board and employees of Human Rights Watch Sweden.

MISSION STATEMENT

Human Rights Watch defends the rights of people worldwide. We scrupulously investigate abuses, expose the facts widely, and pressure those with power to respect rights and secure justice. Human Rights Watch is an independent, international organization that works as part of a vibrant movement to uphold human dignity and advance the cause of human rights for all.

CORE VALUES

Human Rights Watch is:

Committed to our mission of defending human rights worldwide. Our work is guided by international human rights and humanitarian law and respect for the dignity of each human being.

Independent. To ensure our independence, we do not accept government funds, directly or indirectly, or support from any private funder that could compromise our objectivity and independence. We do not embrace political causes, are non-partisan, and maintain neutrality in armed conflict.

Factual, accurate and ethical in our fact-finding. We are committed to maintaining high standards of accuracy and fairness, including by seeking out multiple perspectives to develop an in-depth, analytic understanding of events. We recognize a particular responsibility for the victims and witnesses who have shared their experiences with us.

Actively focused on impact. We succeed only when our actions lead to positive and sustainable change. We are never complacent, always on the lookout for new opportunities to advance our cause. We also are committed to working on difficult situations, where long-term attention is required for meaningful impact.

Supportive of a diverse and vibrant international human rights movement and mutually beneficial partnerships. We work closely with a broad range of local and international civil society actors to maximize our impact. We speak out against attacks on civil society and defend the political space within which the broader human rights movement operates.