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PRESS RELEASE

Organization for World Peace (OWP) is pleased to announce that Danish Supreme Court Advocate Mr. Christian Harlang is receiving our Lifetime achievement award 2013 as a human rights and peace activist in recognition and admiration for his outstanding contributions in promoting human rights and world peace.

Christian Harlang is a law practitioner working with national and international law, known for doing litigation in milestone cases on constitutional and human rights. His lawfirm also conducts cases on commercial and administrative law, etc. He has more than 25 years experience as member of boards of business companies, philanthropic foundations, etc.

Still fewer and fewer professional lawyers are overcoming besides their more traditional business careers also to allow society to benefit from their perseverance taking upon them important uphill lawsuits fighting for human rights and the fundamental principles of rules of law. In our days so many mechanisms are on the side of the mighty and powerful constantly impeding such efforts.

Christian Harlang has - against all odds - managed to put important cases on Danish and International agendas such as the world-famous case by which Thule Polar Eskimos tribe was given compensation and a number of other significant cases. In late 2013 he succeeded for 23 Iraqi torture victims by obtaining the Danish Supreme Court to overrule the Danish Ministry of Defense by ordering that those plaintiffs should not pay a security deposit as an condition for the trial and the Supreme Court found that such a claim to be "unfair" because it would "hinder a trial on the alleged claim on the Danish state for responsibility for torture..."

The OWP is for the first time handing over the human rights and world peace award. Our choice was easy. We want to appreciate Christian Harlang and to encourage him to stay strong and continue his extremely important efforts in a world so much in need of able professionals working for peace and justice.

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Abid Ali Abid
Chairman of the OWP

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