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REQUEST FOR INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY

Human Rights Foundation (HRF)

To: Human Rights Foundation (HRF) **Attention:** Center for Law & Democracy / Director of Strategic Programs **Via:** institutional email **Date:** ____ May 2026 **Re:** Case of Alberto José Bracho Rozquez — Request for international advocacy and ICC support

Dear Human Rights Foundation team:

We respectfully request the **international advocacy support** of HRF for the case of **Alberto José Bracho Rozquez** (Venezuelan ID V-21.078.752), a young civilian from Zulia State currently serving a 30-year sentence at Yare III Prison after being convicted in the so-called "drone case" of 4 August 2018.

Why HRF advocacy matters here

HRF has developed unique expertise on:

1. **Naming political prisoners** in authoritarian regimes — including Bracho would expand the Venezuelan portion of HRF's prisoner-of-conscience database.
2. **Coordinating high-level diplomatic advocacy** with the US Department of State, the European Parliament, the UK Foreign Office, and Latin-American foreign ministries.
3. **Connecting cases to humanitarian-exchange negotiations** — HRF has been a constructive voice in past Venezuelan release negotiations.
4. **Supporting ICC Article 15 communications** — complementary to CASLA Institute's role.

The case in brief

- **Detention:** 5 August 2018, ~02:30 a.m., highway checkpoint toward Barinas, no warrant, no flagrante.
- **Disappearance:** 45 days at DGCIM Boleíta Norte (military intelligence) without family notification.
- **Torture in court:** denounced 24 May 2024 in trial hearing — five co-convicts named Prosecutor Farik Karin Mora Salcedo as having been present during torture (hooding, electric shocks to testicles, removal of toenails, fractured ribs, broken nasal septum).
- **Conviction:** 30 years on 2 August 2022 (published 17 February 2023) — Tribunal Primero de Juicio (National Terrorism Jurisdiction).

- **Appeal denied:** 21 March 2024 — Special Chamber Two of the Court of Appeals (National Terrorism).
- **Cassation dismissed:** 5 December 2024 — TSJ Criminal Cassation Chamber Judgment 682/2024. **No cassation appeal was filed in Bracho's individual name** — total defence abandonment at the highest internal remedy.

Specific request

1. **Add Bracho Rozquez** to HRF's database of Venezuelan political prisoners and prisoners of conscience.
2. **Support the IACHR petition** through international amplification.
3. **Coordinate the ICC Article 15 submission** with CASLA Institute.
4. **Brief US/EU policymakers** on the case for inclusion in future humanitarian-exchange negotiation lists.
5. **Coordinate with Foro Penal Venezuela, CEJIL and RFK Human Rights** to ensure unified messaging.

Available materials

- Public case file:
- English: <https://tuvzla.com/cases-hr/bracho-rozquez/>
- Spanish: <https://tuvzla.com/casos-ddhh/bracho-rozquez/>
- Standalone PDF-ready dossiers in both languages.
- Draft IACHR petition with precautionary measures (ES + EN).
- Draft ICC Article 15 supporting documentation.
- 12 TSJ judgments extracted with verified canonical URLs.

Strategic context

Co-defendant Juan Carlos Requesens (8 years sentence) was released on 18 October 2023 as part of the Barbados Agreement framework and the US-Venezuela exchange involving Alex Saab. At least 59 political prisoners had been released by July 2025; another 35 on 8 February 2026. **Bracho is precisely the type of low-profile, well-documented detainee whose inclusion in future exchange lists is plausible if international advocacy ensures visibility.** This is where HRF's role is decisive.

We remain available for a virtual meeting at your convenience and commit to deliver the full record by any secure channel HRF designates.

Sincerely,

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