



**STRENGTHEN
POLICE
ACCOUNTABILITY
IN INDONESIA**

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Dear Minister,

In January 2007, police officers at the Banda Raya police station tortured and otherwise ill-treated Hartoyo because of his sexual orientation. When Hartoyo made a complaint to the internal investigation division (Propam) a month later, the complaint was not kept confidential and police officers harassed him again. Police asked Hartoyo to take, and pay for, a psychological test. He was told to trust the police and not to inform the media.

Hartoyo received no information about the investigation for 18 months. On 8 October 2008, four police officers were sentenced to three months' imprisonment, six months' probation and a fine of 1,000 rupiah (US\$0.10).

I urge the Indonesian authorities to:

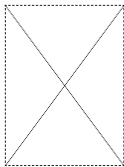
- Ensure that complaints against police officers are kept confidential and that complainants and witnesses receive protection.
- Ensure that complainants receive feedback on their complaint within a reasonable time.
- Set up an independent police complaints mechanism in order to strengthen police accountability and legitimacy.

Yours sincerely,

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