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Nomor: ORG.09/PC SP TSK/SPSI/IV/2012

Re: Employee of PT.Kizone International Status.

To:

Chancellor David Ward

161 Bascom Hall, 500 Lincoln Drive Madison, WI. 53706

Dear Chancellor Ward,

We write you on behalf of all the workers of PT Kizone International. Many of us worked at PT Kizone for many years, and sewed many pieces of clothing for Adidas/Reebok.

Now, as you know, we have been abandoned by the owner of PT Kizone. Over a year ago, the factory owner disappeared without paying us billions of rupiah that we worked hard to earn. Since then, many of us have struggled to support our families. Without the severance payments to support us while we search for new jobs, many of us cannot pay rent. We cannot afford to eat three meals a day. We cannot keep up with school fees, which means that our children are not allowed to study and are falling behind.

We have read on the internet that students and professors at the University of Wisconsin are speaking out on our behalf, and that the University is meeting with Adidas to make sure we get the money we are owed. Thank you for using your voices on our behalf.

While other buyers have provided some funds, we still have only received half of what the Minister of Manpower said that we should receive according to the law. We are still fighting for our rights in the courts, but we know that even if the Supreme Court decides in our favor, we will only receive a small portion of what we are owed.

Adidas reports that it has been working with factories to ensure that they follow appropriate procedures for closures and layoffs for ten years, but yet Adidas did not prevent PT Kizone's owner from leaving us with unpaid wages and unpaid severance. How many times will adidas let this happen? How can Adidas say it is protecting workers' rights when workers are repeatedly left with nothing when factories close? The amount of money we are owed is just 1% of the 90 billion euro that adidas was holding at the end of 2011. For us and for our children, we urge you to make sure that adidas pays us the money we deserve. Thank you for your attention to our situation.

Sincerely,

Ahmad Su