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## Dear GK USA volunteers and partners,

Gawad Kalinga has released <u>an official statement</u> regarding the recent news in the Philippines about Mr. Tony Meloto. We refer you to that statement, which describes the actions taken by the GK Board of Trustees. GK USA continues to trust, respect, and support the GK Board and GK workers and volunteers. As a non-profit organization in the U.S., GK USA is committed to honoring and abiding by the judicial process in the Philippines.

Now more than ever, GK USA stands firm in its commitment to helping communities rise from poverty. Rooted in the spirit of Bayanihan, the Filipino diaspora in the U.S. continues to be a major source of hope for the poorest of the poor, transforming lives and rebuilding our homeland. We urge you all to continue this important work.

Francis de los Reyes III Chairman GK USA