



## MANIFESTO OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL BAR ON THE OCCASION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

July 17th, 2018

This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the Treaty of Rome that established the International Criminal Court, an extraordinary and exceptional step in history, not only in Law, but also in humanity.

Once again, we raise our voice in the defense of the International Criminal Justice, in the defense of the principles and values on which it is founded, to forever end with the impunity of the most execrable international crimes, and so that the victims maintain their hope in justice and in the remediation of the damages suffered. This also implies the defense of Human Rights and the demand that these are respected around the world, and that respect for life, freedom, equality and dignity of people govern the relationships in all societies.

We support the International Criminal Court in its daily work for justice in the world.

We request that all states, without exception, become a part of the International Criminal Court.

We demand that all states cooperate actively with the International Criminal Court.

We urge the Security Council of the United Nations to support the prosecution of international crimes in places where, by not being states parties of the ICC, they seek to protect themselves and in a state of impunity.

Finally, we ask and urge for the cessation of conflicts, wars and violations of human rights so that peace and respect for human rights and for the principles on which democratic states of law are based can rule.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. J. Imbroda".

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