



## 第九屆亞洲民主人權獎 2014 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award

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# Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award

## 亞洲民主人權獎



臺灣民主基金會成立十一年來，一方面把民主思想深植臺灣，另一方面也希望使臺灣的民主成就，讓全世界都看得見。2006年我們設立了「亞洲民主人權獎」，目的為鼓勵對亞洲地區民主與人權事務推動有卓越貢獻的個人或團體，希望能經由「亞洲民主人權獎」的頒發，表達我們的支持與敬意。

經過數個月的接受推薦與公正客觀的評審程序，我們的國際評審委員會選出2014年的得獎者，由斯里蘭卡的「人權與發展中心」獲得今年的殊榮。今天我們非常高興，能與全體國人共同分享今年亞洲民主人權獎的結果。未來我們將持續表揚對亞洲民主人權事務推動有具體貢獻的個人或團體，希望透過大家的努力，一起讓臺灣成為全球民主的新地標。

臺灣民主基金會董事長 **王金平** 先生

Over the past eleven years, the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy has helped to consolidate the ideas of democracy in Taiwan and has shown the world what Taiwan has achieved. In 2006, we established the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award in order to encourage individuals and organizations who have demonstrated significant dedication and contributions to democracy and human rights in Asia. Through the Award, we hope to show our support and respect for them.

Through a fair and objective process of reviewing nominations over several months, our International Final Review Board has decided to give the 2014 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award to Centre for Human Rights and Development of Sri Lanka. Today, we are pleased to share this result with our distinguished guests and fellow citizens. In the future, the TFD will continue to support democracy and human rights promotion in Asia with this annual award. Through such efforts, it is our hope that Taiwan can become a landmark for democracy in the world.

Chairman **Wang Jin-pyng**  
Taiwan Foundation for Democracy



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Centre for Human Rights and Development  
2014 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award Laureate



### 第九屆亞洲民主人權獎頒獎典禮

2014年12月10日

臺北遠東國際大飯店遠東宴會廳

08:30 - 09:00 報到入場

09:00 - 09:40 頒獎典禮

影片欣賞

臺灣民主基金會王金平董事長致詞

馬英九總統致詞

馬英九總統頒發獎座

臺灣民主基金會王金平董事長頒發獎助金

得獎人致答謝詞

09:40 - 10:00 人權與發展中心：回顧與展望



## 2014 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award Ceremony

December 10, 2014

3rd Floor, Grand Ballroom, Far Eastern Plaza Hotel Taipei

08:30 – 09:00 Arrival and Registration

09:00 – 09:40 Award Ceremony

Multimedia presentation

Opening remarks by TFD Chairman Wang Jin-pyng

Remarks by H.E. President Ma Ying-jeou

Presentation of the Award sculpture by H.E. President Ma Ying-jeou

Presentation of the Award grant by TFD Chairman Wang Jin-pyng

Acceptance speech by Award Laureate

09:40 – 10:00 Centre for Human Rights and Development: Retrospects and Prospects



### 亞洲民主人權獎

致力於倡議民主、維護正義、捍衛人權的個人及團體遍及世界各地，其勇氣應獲得肯定，臺灣民主基金會作為亞洲第一個國家級的民主援助基金會，目標即在支持他們的工作，尤其是在亞洲地區努力推動民主與人權的個人及組織。

臺灣民主基金會自2006年開始設置「亞洲民主人權獎」之獎項，目的為藉由獎勵在亞洲區域，以和平方式促進民主或提倡人權有卓越貢獻之個人或團體，進而促進亞洲民主發展並提升亞洲人權水準，同時也希望藉由深化臺灣民主基金會和得獎者及其夥伴之間的關係，進一步擴大他們工作的影響力。「亞洲民主人權獎」設置辦法於2006年經臺灣民主基金會董事會決議通過並實施，此獎項包括捐助美金拾萬元及獎座。

「亞洲民主人權獎」的首屆得獎者為致力於維護全球新聞自由的「無國界記者」組織（Reporters Without Borders），以表彰該組織致力於維護全球新聞自由的工作。2007年第二屆得獎者為「梅道診所」創辦人辛西雅·蒙格醫師（Dr. Cynthia Maung），肯定她長期在泰緬邊境服務緬甸難民之奉獻。第三屆「亞洲民主人權獎」頒給阿富汗獨立人權委員會主席暨書哈達組織創辦人西瑪·薩瑪爾醫師（Dr. Sima Samar），以表揚她為阿富汗女性權益所做出的貢獻。2009年第四屆的亞洲民主人權獎則頒給北韓自由電台的創辦人暨執行長金聖旻先生（Mr. Kim Seong-Min），以表彰他挑戰北韓政權與提供外界資訊給北韓民眾的勇氣。2010年則頒發給印度的「救援基金會」（Rescue Foundation），以表揚該組織積極救援南亞地區遭到人口販運的婦女。2011年得獎者是美國的「海上難民救援組織」（Boat People SOS），該組織長期投入救援海上難民，以及持續推動杜絕人口販運的工作。2012年得獎者是總部位於泰國的「國際終止童妓組織」（ECPAT International），表彰他們長期投入防杜兒童商業性剝削的工作。去年第八屆得獎者是緬甸的「克倫人權組織」（Karen Human Rights Group），表揚該組織持續推動保障人權的工作。

「亞洲民主人權獎」每年接受來自全球各地的提名，評審程序則分為初審及決審兩階段，以達公正、公平與嚴謹之原則，先由國內初審委員評定選出前五組候選人及團體進入第二階段的決審，再由在民主人權領域享有國際盛名的國際評審委員，擔任決審階段之審查工作。

2014年第九屆「亞洲民主人權獎」經過兩階段的審查，最終選定「人權與發展中心」為獲獎者。決審審查委員包括：第三屆「亞洲民主人權獎」得主暨阿富汗獨立人權委員會主席西瑪·薩瑪爾醫師（Dr. Sima Samar）、日本京都人權研究中心所長暨前聯合國人權事務委員會主席安藤仁介博士（Dr. Nisuke Ando）、民主社群非政府組織層次之國際執委會主席保羅·格雷姆先生（Paul Graham）、巴基斯坦人權委員會主席暨前聯合國宗教信仰自由特派公使嘉翰戈爾女士（Ms. Asma Jahangir）、菲律賓大學教授暨菲律賓發展與策略研究院院長卡羅萊娜·赫南德茲博士（Dr. Carolina Hernandez）、臺灣民主基金會董事長王金平先生，以及執行長黃德福博士。

臺灣民主基金會王金平董事長於2014年11月5日，正式公布2014年第九屆「亞洲民主人權獎」頒發給斯里蘭卡的「人權與發展中心」，表彰該組織持續推動保障人權的工作，「人權與發展中心」執行長拉特納瓦利先生（Mr. Kanagasabai Shanmugaratnam Ratnavale）將親自參加頒獎典禮。

臺灣民主基金會將每年持續辦理「亞洲民主人權獎」，第十屆獎項將於2015年4月1日起接受推薦提名。



## Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award

In every region of the world, there are courageous individuals and groups who are devoted to building democracy, standing up for justice, and defending human rights. As the first national democracy assistance foundation in Asia, the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD) is dedicated to supporting these individuals and organizations, especially those in our home region.

Therefore, the TFD established the annual Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award to honor individuals or organizations that have demonstrated long-term commitment and outstanding leadership in advancing democracy or human rights through peaceful means in Asia. The Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award Guidelines were approved by the Board of the TFD and announced in April 2006. The Award consists of a sculpture and a US\$100,000 grant to support the ongoing work of the laureate. The TFD also pledges to deepen its relationship with each of the laureates and their partners to sustain and increase the impact of their work.

The inaugural Award was given to Reporters Without Borders for its contributions to defending press freedom worldwide. In 2007, the recipient of the second award was Dr. Cynthia Maung, founder of the Mae Tao Clinic on the Thai-Burmese border and a leader in the Burmese refugee community. The third award was given to Dr. Sima Samar, Chairperson of the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission and founder of the Shuhada Organization, in recognition of her contributions to advancing women's rights in Afghanistan. The fourth award was given to Mr. Kim Seong-Min, in recognition of his courageous defiance of the North Korean regime, and to support his ongoing work in providing an independent source of news and information to the people of North Korea. The fifth award in 2010 went to Rescue Foundation of India in recognition of its efforts in rescuing female victims of human trafficking in South Asia. In 2011, the award was given to Boat People SOS of the USA in praising of their ongoing work in rescuing boat people and combating human trafficking in Asia and beyond. In 2012, the award went to the Thailand-based ECPAT International in recognition of their dedication to ending the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children. Last year, the Award laureate was Karen Human Rights Group of Burma to recognize their dedication to promoting and protecting human rights.

Each year, after an open call for nominations, the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award laureate is chosen by a rigorous review process over several months. The review is carried out in two stages to ensure a strict and fair assessment of all nominees. A preliminary review panel comprised of domestic scholars and experts draws up a shortlist of five candidates, which is then assessed by an international review panel of distinguished persons.

Centre for Human Rights and Development was chosen as the winner of the 2014 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award after being reviewed by preliminary and final review boards. The members of the final review board were: Dr. Sima Samar, the 2008 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award laureate and the Chairperson of the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission; Dr. Nisuke Ando, Director of the Kyoto Human Rights Research Institute in Kyoto, Japan, and former Chairman of the United Nation Human Rights Committee; Mr. Paul Graham, Chair of the International Steering Committee of the Community of Democracies NGO Process; Ms. Asma Jahangir, Chairperson of Human Rights Commission of Pakistan and former UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief; Dr. Carolina Hernandez, Professor of Political Science at the University of the Philippines and President of Institute of Strategic and Development Studies, Inc.; TFD Chairman Wang Jin-pyng, and Dr. Teh-Fu Huang, President of the TFD.

The TFD Chairman Wang Jin-pyng announced on November 5, 2014 that the 2014 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award would be given to Centre for Human Rights and Development of Sri Lanka to recognize their ongoing work in protecting and promoting human rights. Mr. Kanagasabai Shanmugaratnam Ratnavale, Director of Centre for Human Rights and Development, shall accept this Award in person at the ceremony.

The TFD will begin accepting nominations for the tenth Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award starting on April 1, 2015.



### 人權與發展中心

#### 第九屆亞洲民主人權獎得主



人權與發展中心(Centre for Human Rights and Development, CHRD)是由人權律師與社運人士在1997年創於斯里蘭卡的人權組織，協助揭發政府違反人權的狀況，並喚起國際上對於該國不當對待政治犯、執行恐怖主義防制法(Prevention of Terrorism Act, PTA)等違反人權與民主情況的重視。該組織以保衛及促進人權發展為宗旨，在斯里蘭卡長期從事人權的保衛工作，尤其針對少數及弱勢提供法律協助，並對人權鬥士提供各種協助。該組織雖受政府監控及指控為叛國，但仍能義無反顧地從事人權救援，及揭發政府的不民主，對於保障少數族群人權及在國際發聲卓有貢獻。在斯里蘭卡內戰後期與戰後，CHRD是少數在該國境內願意承擔風險較高之案件以及解決敏感問題的組織之一，例如軍人綁架案件、性暴力與戰後徵收土地案等等。

在斯里蘭卡內戰後期，有大約四萬名泰米爾(Tamil)少數民族遭到屠殺，西方國家一直就此對斯里蘭卡當局發出嚴厲的侵犯人權指責。並於2014年三月，聯合國人權委員會決定就上述暴行展開調查，並由美國發起，核心提案國也包括馬其頓、模里西斯、蒙地內哥羅與英國等國，透過聯合國提案方式，議決要求由人權事務高級專員辦公室(Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)主導，對斯里蘭卡內戰雙方在記取教訓與和解委員會(Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission)報告的涵蓋期間(2002-2009)內，有關侵犯和踐踏人權的行徑及相關的罪行進行全面的調查；在此同時此外，決議也要求人權事務高級專員辦公室監查、評估並報告斯里蘭卡的人權狀況，也包含對相關違反人權罪刑的究責建議。

在內戰期間，不計其數的人民因為戰亂而無故受到傷害、失蹤甚至死亡的災厄，因此，如何將這些受到傷害而下落不明的人重新找到，或確認其最後命運，雖然任務艱困，成為內戰後期非常重要的人權工作。此一問題促成CHRD接受了由Ananthi Satitharan女士與其他五位女性的共同陳情，要求對2009年向國家軍隊投降後下落不明的家人提出人身保護令(habeas corpus)，這個非常具有爭議性且具有里程碑意義的案件目前仍在進行中，但也因為本案的存在，鼓勵了許多失蹤者的家人出面尋找其下落，也對人權的維護有所幫助。例如，2012年四月，在東部省份的泰米爾少數民族遭到軍人任意拘留，CHRD隨即組成事實調查團、提供法律諮詢服務、拜訪監獄中被拘留者，安排社區組織與外國使館人員會面，直接討論這般任意拘留逮捕行為對於社區造成之影響，隨後幾乎所有被捕的三百人獲得釋放。

CHRD執行長拉特納瓦利先生(Kanagasabai Shanmugaratnam Ratnavale)從1979年開始擔任人權律師，他始終是斯里蘭卡境內少數願意挺身而出，為人民發聲捍衛人權，挑戰諸如軍方性暴力或綁架罪行等敏感議題，且也勇敢批評政府的鬥士。過去幾年的時間，斯里蘭卡人權捍衛者遭受各種迫害：被殺害、監禁、失蹤、或流亡至其他國家。CHRD近期著名的案例為其組織作為被拘留者的法定代表人，並代表人權工作者進行公開倡議行動。

這些令人高度關注的案件對於公眾輿論與法律判決先例是至關重要的。CHRD利用多元化的方式來倡議宣傳人權議題，例如法律訴訟的討論、公開宣傳、研究與文獻紀錄、倡議、法律與人權教育以及人權網絡建立。該組織所預期之影響不希望僅限於法律訴訟之勝訴而已，而是要進一步加強改善斯里蘭卡的人權狀況與品質。CHRD長期以來反抗權威、促進人權的作法，對飽受內戰之苦的斯里蘭卡人民來講，猶如人權庇護所一樣護衛苦難的人民，他們的作為值得大家尊敬，更需要外界更多的關注與援助。





## Centre for Human Rights and Development 2014 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award Laureate

Centre for Human Rights and Development (CHRD) of Sri Lanka is a leading Sri Lankan human rights organization established in 1997 by human rights lawyers and activists. CHRD helps to expose the authoritarian government related killings and human rights violations, and to arouse international attention to mistreatment of political prisoners, Prevention of Terrorism Act (PTA) and other violations of human rights and democracy in Sri Lanka. CHRD aims to protect and promote human rights development and has long been engaging in defending human rights in Sri Lanka. It is also considered a source of legal support and strategic guidance for minorities, the disadvantaged and grassroots human rights organizations. Despite intense surveillance and being branded traitors, CHRD works tirelessly still to defend marginalized segments of society and expose the government's undemocratic ways. During the final years of Sri Lanka's conflict and the repressive post-war period, CHRD has been one of the very few organizations in Sri Lanka willing to take on high profile cases and to tackle sensitive issues such as abductions by military personnel, sexual violence, and post-war legal land grabbing.

In the final phase of Sri Lankan civil war, there were approximately 40,000 Tamil people being killed. Since then, western countries have issued harsh criticism towards Sri Lanka authority's human rights violations. In March, 2014, the UN Human Rights Council started its reviews of such violations. The resolution on Sri Lanka was led by the United States along with core sponsors, including Macedonia, Mauritius, Montenegro, the United Kingdom, etc. For the first time, the resolution requested a comprehensive investigation, to be led by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), into alleged violations and abuses of human rights and related crimes committed by both sides during the period covered by the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission (LLRC) report (2002-2009). In addition, it requested that OHCHR monitor, assess, and report on the human rights situation in Sri Lanka, including any relevant domestic processes dealing with reconciliation and accountability.

During the Sri Lankan civil war, countless people have been killed, disappeared, imprisoned or have fled the country to live in exile. It has then become a pivotal task to find the disappeared or to confirm their whereabouts at all though not being an easy one. CHRD is managing the habeas corpus case filed by Ms. Ananthi Sasitharan and five other women demanding to know the whereabouts of family members who disappeared after surrendering to the army in 2009. This hugely contentious landmark case is still ongoing, but its very existence is encouraging many other relatives of the disappeared to come forward.

In April 2012, Tamil minority communities in the eastern province were subjected to widespread arbitrary detention by military. CHRD rapidly responded by conducting a fact-finding mission, providing legal counsel to families, visiting detainees in prison and by organizing a secure meeting for community-based organizations to speak directly with foreign embassy staff about the impact of these arbitrary arrests on communities. Nearly all of the three hundred individuals that were arrested were subsequently released.

Mr. Kanagasabai Shanmugaratnam Ratnavale, Executive Director of CHRD, has served as a human rights lawyer since 1979 and remained as a beacon of hope, one of the few lawyers willing to take on high profile cases featuring human rights defenders and those that tackle sensitive issues such as sexual violence and abduction by military personnel, and to criticize the government. Recent high profile examples of CHRD's leadership can be seen in its legal representation and public campaigning on behalf of detained human rights activists.

These high profile cases are critical to changing public opinion and setting legal precedents. CHRD addresses human rights issues with a multi-faceted approach that includes litigation, public campaign, research and documentation, advocacy, legal and human rights education and network building. Their intended impact is not only to win legal victories, but also to strengthen and make more effective the movement for human rights in Sri Lanka as a whole. For the long-suffering-from-civil-war Sri Lankans, CHRD has long been fighting against authority and promoting human rights and being a guardian for them. Their dedication is worthy of respect but will also need more attention and assistance from the outside.



### 「人權與發展中心」工作實錄 Centre for Human Rights and Development's Works



2010年，「人權與發展中心」董事長尤瑟夫先生(右)將第一本恐怖主義防制法書籍遞交給資深律師費南多先生(左)。

In 2010, CHRD Chairman, Javid A. Yusuf (right) handed over the first copy of the PTA publication to senior lawyer, Desmond Fernando PC (left).



人權工作者參加於斯里蘭卡北部省份舉辦之訓練課程  
Human Rights Defenders training in northern Sri Lanka



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Human Rights Defenders workshop in northern Sri Lanka



2011年律師工作坊  
Lawyers' sensitization workshop in 2011



### 「人權與發展中心」工作實錄 Centre for Human Rights and Development's Works



於斯里蘭卡北部省份舉辦之流動法律諮詢  
Mobile legal clinic in northern Sri Lanka



來自斯里蘭卡北部、東部與中央省份的人權工作者結盟，倡議平等活動。  
Human rights workers from northern, eastern and central Sri Lanka to campaign for equality.



## 財團法人臺灣民主基金會

### 緣起與成立

臺灣民主轉型成功，不僅是兩千三百萬臺灣人民值得驕傲的歷史性成就，更是國際社會讚賞的焦點。此一轉型並非一朝一夕所能完成，而是經歷了一段漫長的爭自由、爭人權的過程。這段歷史見證吾人追求民主、人權之過程。

基此，為積極鞏固我國民主與人權進步實績、回饋國際對我長期的堅定支持與協助，同時藉由參與全球民主力量網路的聯繫，促進我國參與全球民主政黨及相關組織之活動，財團法人臺灣民主基金會之設立理念於焉成型。

外交部自2002年即積極推動籌設，經過長期資料蒐整及審慎評估後，結合我國產、官、學及民間等各方面人力、經驗與資金，在朝野各政黨之支持下，於2003年元月獲立法院審查通過預算。2003年6月17日，財團法人臺灣民主基金會在召開首屆董事暨監察人會議後正式成立，立法院院長王金平獲推舉擔任首屆董事長。依照章程規定，十五位董事分別依照比例，由來自政府、政黨、學界、非政府組織，以及企業界的代表出任。

### 宗旨

做為亞洲地區所建立的第一個國家級民主基金會，臺灣民主基金會的基本理念是在全民共識的基礎上，建立一個永續經營、具遠景並運作透明化的超黨派機構，透過凝聚政黨、民間組織力量，共同為擴大臺灣參與全球民主接軌及鞏固民主實績而努力。

依照章程，基金會設立宗旨包括：

- 與民主國家相關社團、政黨、智庫及非政府組織（NGOs）等建構合作夥伴關係，並與國際民主力量接軌，有效凝聚世界民主力量，拓展我國國際活動空間。
- 支持亞洲及世界各地之民主化，與全球各地民主領袖建立密切合作及聯繫網絡，並致力推動全球民主發展。
- 透過全球學術界、智庫、國會、政黨等管道推動民主教育及國際交流，提升臺灣民主素質，鞏固民主發展。

### 工作方向

財團法人臺灣民主基金會係由政府贊助設立，惟仍屬獨立運作的、超黨派的組織，依據章程，基金會得接受國內外民間捐款。基金會五分之一預算保留作為各主要政黨申請從事國內、外民主人權相關活動之用；其餘五分之四則作為推動各項業務之經費。

本會業務推動範圍包括：

- 推動與世界各國民主組織建立結盟關係。
- 支持國內外學術界、智庫、民間非政府組織推展有關民主與人權之活動。
- 支援國內各政黨從事國會外交及國際民主交流活動。
- 發掘國內外民主發展問題、研擬政策並發行書刊。
- 推動有關民主、人權之研討會，舉辦公共論壇及相關民主教育活動。



## Taiwan Foundation for Democracy

### Background

Taiwan's peaceful transition to democracy is not only a historical accomplishment for its twenty-three million people, but a landmark in the worldwide spread of democracy. Only after years of struggle and effort could this transformation take place. We must never forget this history, for it shapes the cornerstone of our continued commitment to the principles of democracy and human rights.

The Foundation was established with an inter-related, two-tracked mission in mind. Domestically, the TFD strives to play a positive role in consolidating Taiwan's democracy and fortifying its commitment to human rights; internationally, the Foundation hopes to become a strong link in the world's democratic network, joining forces with related organizations around the world. Through the years, Taiwan has received valuable long-term assistance and stalwart support from the international community, and it is now time to repay that community for all of its efforts.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs initiated the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy project in 2002. After much research and careful evaluation, the Ministry integrated the required resources from many sectors of society. In January 2003, the Ministry obtained the support of all political parties to pass the budget for the Foundation in the legislature. The TFD formally came into being on June 17, 2003, with its first meeting of the Board of Trustees and Supervisory Board. At that meeting, Legislative Yuan President Wang Jin-pyng was elected its first chairman. According to its Bylaws, the TFD is governed by a total of fifteen trustees and five supervisors, representing political parties, the government, academia, nongovernmental organizations, and the business sector.

### Mission

The Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD) is the first democracy assistance foundation to be established in Asia, and is devoted to strengthening democracy and human rights in Taiwan and abroad. Its primary concerns are to further consolidate Taiwan's democratic system, promote democracy in Asia, and actively participate in the global democratic network.

The TFD will put its ideals into practice through farsighted, transparent, and non-partisan management. Building on the strength of both political parties and civil society, the TFD will enable Taiwan to positively contribute to the worldwide movement for democracy. According to its Bylaws, the Foundation's mission is as follows:

- Work with the international community to strengthen democracy around the globe and expand Taiwan's participation in international activities;
- Support democratization in Asia and the rest of the world by establishing close relationships with leaders of the world's democracies and cooperative partnerships with civil society groups, political parties, think tanks, and non-governmental organizations in democratic countries; and
- Elevate Taiwan's democracy and further consolidate its democratic development by promoting education in democracy and international exchanges among academic circles, think tanks, parliaments, and political parties from the world over.

### Our Tasks

The primary source of funding for the TFD is the government. However, it is independently incorporated, non-partisan, and non-profit. According to its Bylaws, the Foundation may accept international and domestic donations. One-fifth of its budget is reserved for Taiwan's political parties, supporting their own international and local initiatives that are in line with the mission of the TFD. The remaining budget is used for the TFD core activities, including:

- Building relationships with related institutions around the world;
- Participating actively in the global promotion of democracy and supporting the improvement of human rights conditions;
- Supporting democracy promotion activities of NGOs and academic institutions;
- Promoting research and publications on democratic developments at home and abroad; and
- Holding seminars, workshops, conferences, and other educational activities in the area of democracy and human rights.



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