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Re: UN Convention against Corruption

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Dear Sirs,

This concerns the reputation of Germany throughout the world:

The UN Convention against Corruption came into force in 2005. It has now been ratified by 161 countries. But not by Germany. Germany is internationally isolated. The political signal is fatal: Germany does nothing against corruption.

And it concerns your reputation as members of parliament.

The German Penal Code has clear rules against corruption. Only the corruption of members of parliament remains largely without sanction. In contrast, the Convention calls for strict penalties for such offences. This is the only reason why the German Bundestag has not ratified the UN Convention. The signal is fatal: German politics may be corrupt.

Act now! Otherwise, you will lose your reputation among the German people and throughout the world.

We will be submitting a corresponding petition to the German Bundestag.

The Alliance for Democracy