



ICTI CARE Process Statement Regarding China Labor Watch Report of August, 2007

The China Labor Watch report on its investigations into worker conditions in toy factories, just released, points up precisely why the ICTI CARE Process was developed – to ensure fair working conditions in toy factories worldwide.

“While our ICTI CARE Process program is young, we have been working diligently over the past three years on educating and building awareness among factory management and workers to ensure that toy factory workers are treated fairly. Our objective is to alleviate working conditions like those described in the report in order to make sure that workers don't bear the brunt of poor factory management practices and keep their jobs,” says Alan Hassenfeld, Co-Chair of the ICTI CARE Foundation Governance Board, which oversees the ICTI CARE Process.

The ICTI CARE Process has an ongoing dialogue with Mr. Li Qiang at China Labor Watch and has agreed with them on this objective. The ICTI CARE Process is also working to develop a workers rights card to be provided to toy factory workers so that they are aware of their rights.

The ICTI CARE Process is investigating the situations described in the report to see how best to bring its program to bear in those factories.

Then ICTI CARE Process is the name given to the International Council of Toy Industries (ICTI) ethical manufacturing program aimed at ensuring fair labor treatment and safe working conditions in the toy industry supply chain, worldwide. Headquartered in New York, it has offices in London and Hong Kong.

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