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KARAPATAN views human rights comprehensively in all fields – political, civil, economic, social, and cultural. The alliance has continued to work for the promotion and defense of human rights through its programs on education and training, campaign and advocacy, documentation and research, the provision of services to human rights victims, the creation and deployment of teams to immediately respond to and investigate reported violations, and network building and alliance work.

KARAPATAN has participated in the 1st and 13th Session of the UPR and is a convener of the Philippine UPR Watch, a network of faith-based and human rights organizations in the Philippines engaging in the UPR process. The data cited in this report are gathered and collated from KARAPATAN's documentation desk, and all consequent analysis were done in consultation with its chapters, member organizations and networks.