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Dear Mr. National Prosecutor, Jorge Abbott Charme,

I am writing to ask for justice for Gustavo Gatica, a student from Santiago. On 8 November 2019, he attended a demonstration that was met with excessive violence by the police. Among other things, the police fired shotguns loaded with rubber and metal bullets at protesters in a manner inconsistent with international standards. Gustavo Gatica was hit in both eyes by heavy rubber bullets and left permanently blind.

The event occurred in the context of social unrest and wider repression of protests in Chile in autumn 2019, during which Amnesty International found evidence of widespread human rights violations by Chilean police and other security forces, with commanders neglecting their duty to stop these abuses.

I call upon you to ensure justice for Gustavo Gatica not just by identifying and holding accountable the individuals directly responsible for his injuries, but also by investigating and prosecuting, in accordance with the law, the commanders and senior officials whose orders or lack of supervision allowed this attack to occur.

Yours sincerely,