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## **Sir Anand Satyanand appointed to international leadership role in fight against corruption**

Former Governor General and respected jurist Sir Anand Satyanand has been appointed as a member of Transparency International's global Advisory Council. Sir Anand's appointment was confirmed last week by Transparency International's Chair Jose Ugaz and TI Founder and Chair of the Advisory Council Peter Elgen.

"This appointment is recognition of Sir Anand's outstanding contribution to the campaign to end bribery and corruption around the globe" Transparency International New Zealand (TINZ) chair Suzanne Snively said today.

Ms Snively says the five year appointment is an incredible honour and reflects both Sir Anand's and New Zealand's role in the cause.

Sir Anand was characteristically modest about the appointment but said in a letter to fellow TI members, "Transparency International's credibility is important to pursue in the interests of civil society everywhere in the world. Having another Pacific voice at the table will help focus on the region's problems."

Sir Anand had been actively involved in Transparency International's New Zealand Chapter and was until recently Patron of TINZ.

"New Zealand has a reputation as one of the least corrupt countries in the world," Ms Snively says, "we must be constantly vigilant to protect that reputation, and with Sir Anand's involvement encourage other nations to adopt the same standards."

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### **Notes to editors:**

1. Transparency International is the global civil society coalition leading the fight against corruption - <http://www.transparency.org/>.
2. **About Transparency International New Zealand:**  
Transparency International New Zealand (TINZ) is the local chapter of the global organisation - <http://www.transparency.org.nz/>. TINZ works to actively promote the highest levels of transparency,

accountability, integrity and public participation in government and civil society in New Zealand and the Pacific Islands.

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