

## Position Statement on Denial of Human Rights Abuses

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**W**hen well documented human rights abuses are denied or covered up by governments and other institutions, such denial is a further violation of human rights of the victims and is antithetical to the mental health of victims and their families.