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**"MR. PRESIDENT, THE ITALIAN POLICE NEEDS YOU" / "HERR PRÄSIDENT,  
DIE ITALIENISCHE POLIZEI BRAUCHT SIE"**

Excellency,

Dear Sir,

our organisation, the Bund Deutscher Kriminalbeamter – BDK, is a full member of CESP – Conseil Européen des Syndicats de Police, an International Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO), accredited at the Council of Europe.

Our partner-union from Italy, SAP, has informed us that the General Secretary of SAP, Gianni Tonelli, the last 21st of January, began a hunger strike to denounce the weakness of the security system caused by the Government cuts of economical resources, repression of constitutional freedoms for policemen, inadequate training and inadequate equipment. A great battle for the dignity of the policemen and all honest citizens deserve an efficient security system.



After those 35 days of hunger strike, Gianni Tonelli lost 16 kilos and his health conditions day by day gives a more dramatic appearance at his protest.

For that reason we are very worried about our friend Gianni Tonelli and therefore urge you, Excellency, to play a part in finding a quick and fair solution about that alarming situation.

I would appreciate your dedication in supporting our colleague very much.

Sincerely yours

André Schulz

President of BDK