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## Justice for the fire victims, Prosecute the owners and negligent officials

"TUCP President Ernesto Herrera condemns government's failure to enforce occupational safety and health standards that resulted in the death of 72 workers in a devastating fire at the footwear maker Kentex Manufacturing Corporation.

"Herrera urges government to file multiple homicide cases against the owner of the factory and government officials negligent of their duties to protect health and safety of workers, including in the filing of administrative, criminal, and civil liabilities against the Department of Labor and Employment.

"TUCP stands in prayer and in the quest for justice for the families and relatives of the victims of this lamentable, yet preventable tragedy."

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