**Hi Klaus,**

**I would like to thank you for your willingness to help. As part of my research paper, I refer to organizations of service in various militaries around the world. My research found the following details about the situation in Germany, and this is what I wrote in my paper:**

**In Germany,** a parliamentary commissioner for the Armed Forces, elected by Parliament, represents the interests of the soldiers before parliament and is responsible for basic rights of those serving in the military. This model is based on the German legal system in which the court granted constitutional protection to the various dimensions of the right to organize, based on the view that these are essential for the full protection of the right to freedom of association. This model significantly improved the rights of fallen soldiers and victims of the military service, the employment time abroad, and the advancement of women's equal rights in the German military.

I would be happy to receive some background material on the aforementioned Parliamentary Commissioner:

1. Is the legal situation I described accurate?
2. What was the background for the establishment of the commissioner - what year? Is there a ruling that led to this?
3. Has the legislation I referred up to date?
4. Is it possible to find the ruling described above concerning the protection granted by the court in Germany to the different aspects of the right to freedom of association?
5. Can I be referred to an article or material that describes the relevant legal situation?