The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Offices and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the communication No. AL Indigenous (2013-9) G/ISO 214 (89-15) BGD 12/2013 dated 31 October 2013, forwarding a communication jointly addressed by the (1) Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples; and the (2) Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences concerning alleged allegations of violence and other human rights abuses against tribal/indigenous peoples in the Chittagong Hill Tracts in Bangladesh.

Reiterating the full support and cooperation of the Government of Bangladesh to the mandate and work of the esteemed Special Rapporteur and to other human rights special procedures and complaints mechanisms, the Permanent Mission has the honour to assure that the contents of the communication have been duly noted and forwarded to the concerned authorities in Bangladesh for necessary inquiry and actions.

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

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