The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the United Nations Office in Geneva and Other International Organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Special Procedures Branch), and has the honour to refer to the Joint Communication dated 2 August 2016, addressed to H.E. Mr. Ravinatha Aryasinha, the Ambassador / Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka to the United Nations in Geneva, by Ms. Houria Es-Slami, the Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances (WGEID), and Mr. Pablo de Greiff, Special Rapporteur on the Promotion of Truth, Justice, Reparation and Guarantees of Non-Recurrence.

The Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka has the honour to inform the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights that the said communication has been transmitted to the Government of Sri Lanka for appropriate action, and that the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka will keep the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Special Procedures Branch) once a response is received.

The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other international organizations in Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Special Procedures Branch) the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 3 August, 2016

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