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In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, with regard to the following communications pertaining to Ms. Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe:

- communication No. UA IRN 20/2016 dated 1 July 2016 signed by the Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health; the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers; the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences; the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment and the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran;
- communication No. 2016/IRN/CASE dated 11 August 2016 received from Working Group on Arbitrary Detention's Methods of Work (A/HRC/30/69);

has the honor to herewith submit enclosed reply, received from the Islamic Republic of Iran, addressing the aforementioned communications.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva 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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With regard to the communication No UA IRN 20/2016 Dated 1 July 2016, concerning Ms. Nazanin Zaghari, the following information has been provided by the "High Council for Human Rights of the Judiciary of the I.R. of Iran":

Ms. Nazanin Zaghari was arrested by order of judicial authorities in Tehran airport after finding well-founded evidence indicating her action against national security. After dispatching her to Kerman (the place where crime was discovered), investigations regarding her accusations were initiated.

During her detention, she was in a suite in Kerman prison and had frequently telephonic contacts and visitations with her family. Taking into account humanitarian considerations (considering her motherhood and the best of interests of her child), Ms. Zaghari was transferred to Tehran where she was provided with daily meetings with her child.

It should be added that according to State rules, Ms. Zaghari is considered as an Iranian citizen and her additional citizenship is not recognized. Her husband can receive latest information about her dossier, by referring to the Consulate section of the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran in London. Although at the moment he has the latest information about his wife through contacts with Ms. Zaghari's family members in Iran who have regular visitation with her. He can even travel to Iran.

With regard to her health condition, it is worth mentioning that she is in good health condition in prison.

Regarding the claim for not having access to a lawyer, it should be noted that according to the law, the access to a lawyer for security crimes offenders is envisaged and based on legal conditions reflected in the law, it will be provided upon the request of defendants.

It should be noted that due to the importance of the accusations, the case is under investigations and consequently, after completion of the investigations, the indictment will be announced containing the list of her charges.

Other allegations regarding the aforementioned person are hereby refuted.