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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 G/SO 214 (67-17) Assembly & Association (2010-1) G/SO 214 (107-9) BGD 11/2013 dated 29 October 2013, forwarding a communication jointly addressed by the (1) Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression; (2) Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association; and (3) Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders concerning **the amended Information and Communication Technology Act which reportedly restricts the right to freedom of opinion and expression.**

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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 Geneva, 31 October 2013

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- (2) Ms. Maina Kiai, Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association;
- (3) Ms. Margaret Sekaggya, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders.