The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Angola to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations at Geneva presents its compliments to the Offices of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment and the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences.

Further to their joint letter under reference AL G/SO 214 (106-10) G/SO 214 (53-24) G/SO 214 (89-15) of 4 March 2011 the Permanent Mission of Angola has the honour to enclose attached the contents of the letter of 16th February sent to Her Excellency Mrs Navanethem Pillay, High Commissioner for Human Rights, on the same subject. We hope that it will meet your concerns.

To
Special Procedures of the
Human Rights Council
Palais Wilson United Nations Office at Geneva
CH-1211, Geneva 10, Switzerland
Fax : 022/917.90.06
Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 9, 2010, on alleged ill treatment of DRC migrants by Angolan Security Forces and to convey my Government’s deep concern about alleged human rights violations against citizens in its territory, whether foreigners or Angolans.

Upon instructions from my Government, may I inform you that an Interministerial committee coordinated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and integrated by the Ministries of Home Affairs, Defense, Justice and the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic was formed to look into the allegations of human rights violations by the National Army and police against citizens of the DRC.

The final results of the investigation will be communicated as soon as the Interministerial committee completes its work.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Angola avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurance of its highest consideration.