



## PERMANENT MISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Africa to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other International Organisations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights – Special Procedures Branch, and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of Allegation Letter AL G/SO 214 (53-24) G/SO 214 (89-15) ZAF 2/2011 of 16 September 2011, received from 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.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Africa has the further honour to request an extension of the deadline of sixty (60) days for the submission of the South African Government's response to the afore-mentioned Allegation Letter, in order to allow reasonable time for the Government to conduct a comprehensive investigation into the allegations outlined in the letter.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Africa to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other International Organisations in Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights – Special Procedures Branch the assurances of its highest consideration.



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