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The Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations Office and International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context, to the Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights and to the Independent Expert on minority issues and would like to acknowledge the joint urgent appeal received yesterday (PRT 1/2012) on the alleged imminent forced eviction of persons living in a situation of extreme poverty in Bairro de Santa Filomena, located in Amadora, Portugal.

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Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
Geneva

The above mentioned communication was immediately sent to His Excellency the Minister of State and for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Paulo Portas, who is already undertaking all necessary measures to reply to this appeal as briefly as possible.

On this occasion, the Permanent Mission reiterates Portugal's firm commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights, namely the realization of economic, social and cultural rights.

The Permanent Mission of Portugal avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the referred Special Procedures the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 24 July 2012

