



ZIMBABWE

**PERMANENT MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS
AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AT GENEVA**

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the United Nations and other International Organisations at Geneva presents its compliments to the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights-Special Procedures and has the honour to refer to the latter's letter ref: AI Assembly and Association (2020-1) G/50 214(107-9 of 5 March 2012.

Currently Zimbabwe has over 3 000 NGOs. The law requires that NGOs be registered with the relevant Government Ministry and there is also a Cabinet procedural requirement that NGOs also register with the local authority of the area where they are operating.

The Provincial Governor has therefore the mandate to request the submission of registration papers from those NGOs operating within his/her jurisdiction. NGOs that are operating legally have therefore no reason not to furnish the documents upon request.

The NGOs are also required by law to submit to the relevant authority their annual reports and audited accounts. It should be brought to the attention of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights that while some NGOs are pursuing genuine humanitarian goals the majority are instruments of the regime change agenda.

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zimbabwe avails itself this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights – Special Procedures the assurances of its highest consideration.

8 March 2012

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Geneva

