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 joint communication from Special Procedures No. AL BGD 7/2015 dated 24 November 2015, jointly addressed by the (1) Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights; (2) Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression; (3) Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions; and the (4) Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion, concerning alleged killing of publisher and writer (1) Mr. Faisal Arefin Dipan; and the case of publisher (2) Mr. Ahmedur Rashid Tutul, who was the victim of a violent attack the same day.

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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