The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Tajikistan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honor to transmit the information, concerning the case of Mr. Alexandr Sodiqov.

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

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Information on Alexander Sodiqov case

Alexander Sodiqov is a citizen of the Republic of Tajikistan, born in Panjakent city of the Sogd region in 1983, was detained by the agents of the State Committee on National Security of Tajikistan in Khorog, Gorno-Badakshsan Autonomous Region (GBAO) on June 16th, 2014. Alexander Sodiqov has been incriminated under Art.305 "Treason" of the Criminal Court of the Republic of Tajikistan.

In accordance with the case, Alexander Sodikov has met with a representative of special services of foreign state and consented to assist in his espionage activities. As a result, he was detained on June 16 in Khorog city in the process of gathering information on the situation in GBAO and the role of the residents of Khorog in destabilizing the situation in the region in recent years.

June 19, 2014, within 72 hours Alexander Sodikov detained with the decision of the Court of Ismoil Somoni of Dushanbe. The detainee was provided with the lawyer and his family was informed about his detention. June 26, 2014 Alexasndr Sodikov has a meeting with his wife — .

Since his arrest, lawyer protects the interests of Mr. Alexandr Sadikov. In addition, since July 3, 2014 relatives of Mr. Sodikov hired 2 more lawyers to protect his interests. In accordance with Article 53 of the Criminal Procedure Code of the Republic of Tajikistan, defenders were fully secured and are able to carry out their legitimate work in a safe and enabling environment without fear of threats or acts of intimidation and harassment of any sort.

Alexander Sodikov currently is in the detention facility of the State Committee on National Security and authorities received no complaints about torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment from his side.

Alexandr Sodikov now is under the presumption of innocence, his guilty has not been established, the investigation is going on.