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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 No. AL BGD 6/2015 dated 2 October 2015 from the Special Procedures sent by the (1) Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances; (2) Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression; (3) Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association; and the (4) Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders, concerning **alleged acts of harassment and intimidation against human rights defenders and the relatives of victims of enforced disappearances, as well as against a group of non-governmental organizations, including the Asian Federation Against Involuntary Disappearances (AFAD), the Asian Legal Resource Centre (ALRC), the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) and Odhikar.**

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.

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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- (3) Ms. Maina Kiai, Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association;
- (4) Mr. Michel Forst, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders.