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Permanent Representative

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Dear Madam and Sirs,

Allow me to refer to your letter UA Myanmar 1/2016 dated 2 February 2016, concerning the arrest and detention of Nyi Nyi Lwin (a) U Gambira.

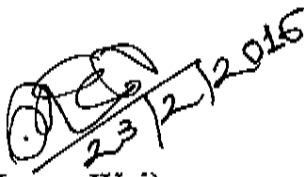
I have received the following information from the authorities concerned on the aforementioned matter:

- On 12 October 2013, Nyi Nyi Lwin (a) U Gambira left for Mae Sai, Thailand, through No.1 Friendship Bridge in Tachileik with temporary border pass which allows one week stay. Since then, he did not return to Myanmar and the validity of the temporary border pass had expired.
- On 16 January 2016, he illegally entered Myanmar by crossing Mai Sai River without using No.1 Friendship Bridge, which is a designated checkpoint.
- Therefore, he was charged under Section 13 (1) of the 1947 Myanmar Immigration Act, which stipulates that no Myanmar citizen shall enter the country without a Myanmar passport or other identity document issued by the authorities.
- The case is being heard at the Ma Har Aung Myay Township Court, Mandalay.
- On 20 January 2016, he was transferred to Mandalay Prison. The prison doctor has been looking after him and necessary medical treatments are being given regularly under the instruction of the prison doctor. A psychiatrist from the Mandalay Special Psychiatric Hospital visited him on 8 February and gave him a prescription. The psychiatrist is planned to visit him within a month.
- On the day of court appearance, Nyi Nyi Lwin (a) U Gambira was allowed to meet with his spouse and the media as well. Foreigners who wish to visit detainees at prison can submit their requests to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs through concerned Embassies accredited

to Myanmar. These requests are accommodated by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

- The above procedure was informed to Ms. Marie Liuda France, spouse of U Gambira at the time she visited the Mandalay Prison in January 2016.
- As per the request submitted in accordance with the procedure, Mr Marie Liuda France will be able to see Nyi Nyi Lwin (a) U Gambira again. The next court appearance was scheduled to take place on 16 February 2016.

Please accept, Madam and Sirs, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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