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The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations at Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, the Independent expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order, the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights and the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation, and would like to refer to your Joint urgent appeal ref: AL SAU 6/2016 dated 17 November 2016 concerning information received on alleged negative impact on the enjoyment of human rights of the people in Yemen due to the apparent blockade of aircrafts and vessels carrying essential goods along the red sea, including basic food items, fuel and essential medicines. In this regard, we would like to request a deadline extension of one month to reply to the aforementioned appeal.

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia avails itself of this opportunity to renew The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, the Independent expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order, the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights and the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation the assurances of its highest consideration.

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