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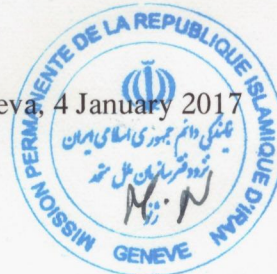
In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran 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 with reference to the communication number UA IRN 16/2016 dated 7 June 2016, has the honor to submit herewith the reply of the I.R. Iran with regard to Mr. Ahmed Zakka's case.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva 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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The following information has been provided by the High Council for Human Rights of the Judiciary of the Islamic Republic of Iran:

According to the latest information provided by the Ministry of Justice, Mr. Ahmad Zakka was arrested on the basis of the of the judicial warrant on the charge of cooperation with the hostile State of the USA against the Islamic Republic of Iran, and the relevant indictment was sent to the court. The case is still under investigation and no verdict is issued yet.

Mr. Zakka has been receiving any required medical attention similar to other prisoners. Any claim prior to release of the final verdict is unfounded and baseless.

It should also be mentioned that although Mr. Zakka is a citizen of Lebanon, but nevertheless, according to provisions of the international law as well as the prevailing regulations of the Islamic Republic of Iran, he is charged with carrying out a offense against national security of the latter and furthermore he is arrested within sovereignty of the same.