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 communications number UA IRN 31/2016 dated 1 December 2016, has the honour to submit herewith the reply of I.R. Iran with regard to Mr. Keivan Karimi'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 General Department of Justice of Tehran Province, Mr. Keivan Karimi was charged with insult against sanctities and sentenced to six years of imprisonment, on the basis of Article 513 of the Islamic Penal Code, payment of cash fine of 400 thousand Tomans and 50 slashes for holding opium as well as payment of cash fine of 800 thousand Tomans and 74 slashes for smoking opium.

The verdict was appealed by the defendant and his lawyers Mr. Raisyan and Mr. Shivay. The Branch 54 of Tehran Province Court of Appeal reviewed the case and reinstated the verdict; meanwhile, noticing Article 46 and 54 of the Islamic Penal Code, the five year of imprisonment sentence was suspended for the period of 5 years. Therefore, Mr. Karimi is serving the remaining of his one year of imprisonment."

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