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Dear all:

Thank you for your letter dated October 19, 2017.

Please find the United States response attached.

Sincerely,

Jason R. Mack

U.S. Deputy Permanent

Representative to the UN Human

Rights Council

SUBJECT: U.S. Response to special procedures regarding Executive Orders on Border Security

Thank you for your letter dated October 19, 2017, requesting information regarding the implementation of Executive Order 13767, *Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Improvements* and the Executive Order 13768, *Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States*. We are grateful for the work you do across the globe to promote respect for human rights.

With respect to your query in the above-mentioned letter, the U.S. government is involved in ongoing litigation regarding the implementation of these Executive Orders, and, accordingly, we are unable to comment further at this time.

Thank you again for your letter and your interest in this matter.