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The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the joint communication No. **UA BGD 2/2018 dated 16 February 2018** from the Special Procedures **regarding the alleged rape and sexual assault of two indigenous sisters by members of the armed forces in Orachari village, in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, and their subsequent treatment by the armed forces** in Bangladesh.

The Permanent Mission of Bangladesh extends the full support and cooperation of the Government of Bangladesh to all the mandates and work of the esteemed Special Rapporteurs and to other human rights mechanisms. The Permanent Mission has further honour to assure that the contents of the communication have been duly noted and forwarded to the concerned authorities in Bangladesh for necessary reply.

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 21 March 2018



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- (1) The Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health;
- (2) The Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples;
- (3) The Special Rapporteur on minority issues;
- (4) The Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;
- (5) The Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences.