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Re: Request for additional information in relation to the Joint Communication from Special Procedures (OL OTH 23/2018)

Dear Ms Balbin,

Thank you for confirming receipt of our response to the allegations made in the Joint Communication from Special Procedures. As I'm sure you can appreciate, some time has now passed since we responded to your questions on 19 July and if at all possible I was hoping for an update from the Special Procedures team.

As previously communicated, we take the allegations made very seriously and would like to look into the issues raised as a matter of urgency. We would do this by undertaking our own investigation in Zimbabwe to ensure any actual or potential adverse human rights impacts are addressed early and remediated directly. However, we are unable to do so without more granular information about the allegations. Are you able to share more information with us at this point in time?

Considering we are both located within walking distance of each other, it might be a good idea to meet in person and discuss next steps in the best interests of the rights holders concerned. We would also be more than happy to meet with each individual Special Rapporteur of the Working Groups concerned.

It is important to note that anything further you are able to provide will be used for the exclusive purpose of better directing our enquiries and response.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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