(Translated from Chinese)

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of communication OL CHN 14/2018 dated 6 August 2018 from the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention; the Special Rapporteur on minority issues; the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance; and the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief of the United Nations Human Rights Council. The Government of China wishes to make the following reply:

The Chinese public security authorities receive and process ordinary passport applications and issue passports in accordance with the provisions of the Passport Law of the People's Republic of China. According to the rules for the issuance of ordinary passports, the public security authorities may require applicants to submit the appropriate material, as required by the issuing office where they apply. The Chinese public security authorities fully uphold the equal rights of all minorities and conscientiously apply a policy of ethnic equality. The conditions for processing ordinary passports are identical and the requirements are the same for all ethnic groups in a given area. There is no policy of discrimination targeting any ethnic group.



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The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva and Other International Organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and with reference to the latter's communication [OL CHN 14/2018] dated 6 August 2018, has the honour to transmit the reply by the Chinese Government.

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

Geneva, 26 October 2018

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights Geneva

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联合国人权理事会任意拘留问题工作组、少数群体问题特别报告员、当代形式种族歧视问题特别报告员和宗教信仰自由问题特别报告员 2018 年 8 月 6 日来函 [OL CHN 14/2018] 收悉。中国政府对来函答复如下:

中国公安机关依照《中华人民共和国护照法》受理审批普通护照申请。根据普通护照签发管理规定,公安机关可要求申请人提交申办护照所需要的相关材料。中国公安机关充分保护各民族的平等权利,认真执行民族平等政策,同一地区各民族群众在办理普通护照时条件相同、要求一致,不存在只针对某一民族的歧视性政策。