## (Translated from Chinese)

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the letter dated 26 September 2018 addressed jointly by the relevant special procedures of the United Nations Human Rights Council (ref. UA CHN 19/2018). The Chinese Government wishes to make the following reply to that letter:

Persons from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea who illegally enter China for economic reasons are not refugees. Their entry into China via illegal channels violates Chinese law and damages the orderly functioning of Chinese border management. China adheres to a principled position of combining domestic law, international law and humanitarianism in dealing with this issue.

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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 [UA CHN 19/2018] dated 26 September 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.



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联合国人权理事会有关特别机制 2018 年 9 月 26 日来函 [UA CHN 19/2018] 收悉。中国政府对来函答复如下:

因经济原因来华的非法入境朝鲜人员不是难民,其通过 非法渠道来华,违反了中国法律,破坏了中国的边境管理秩 序。中方坚持国内法、国际法和人道主义相结合的原则立场 处理该问题。