(Translated from Chinese)

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the letter dated 29 August 2018 addressed jointly by the United Nations Human Rights Council's Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises; Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment; Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression; Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association; Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders; and Special Rapporteur on minority issues (ref. AL CHN 17/2018). The Chinese Government wishes to make the following reply:

The Chinese Government attaches great importance to the construction of ecological civilization and environmental protection work, prioritizes ecological protection, and views the proper protection of the ecology of the Qinghai-Tibet Plateau as a major matter affecting the survival and development of the Chinese nation. The refuse-landfill project in Longbao Town, Yushu City, Qinghai Province is a major people's-livelihood undertaking to improve production and living conditions for the people who live there. It is in compliance with laws and regulations, is not a part of mining activities, and has not damaged the ecological environment. It was agreed to and supported by the overwhelming majority of the local people. Some time ago, during the period of public discussion of site selection for the local landfill, some of the residents of Yushu City, Yushu Prefecture, Qinghai Province expressed divergent views to the local environmental protection authorities. The relevant departments of Yushu City government attached great importance to, and took careful note of, the views of the public. The issue has been properly handled, and there have been no instances whatsoever of violence in law enforcement.





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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 [AL CHN 17/2018] dated 29 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, November 2018

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights **Geneva**

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联合国人权理事会人权与跨国公司问题工作组、人权与环境问题特别报告员、言论自由问题特别报告员、和平集会与结社自由问题特别报告员、"人权卫士"问题特别报告员、少数群体问题特别报告员 2018 年 8 月 29 日来函 [AL CHN 17/2018] 收悉。中国政府对来函答复如下:

中国政府高度重视生态文明建设和环境保护工作,坚持生态保护第一,将保护好青藏高原生态作为关系中华民族生存和发展的大事。青海省玉树州玉树市隆宝镇垃圾填埋场项目系改善当地群众生产生活条件的一项重大民生工程,属于合法合规项目,不属于开矿行为,也未破坏生态环境,并得到当地绝大多数群众的同意和支持。前一段时间,青海省玉树州玉树市部分群众在当地垃圾填埋场选址公示期间,向当地环保部门提出了不同意见。玉树市有关部门高度重视,认真倾听群众意见,已经妥善处理,不存在任何暴力执法情况。