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The Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Special Procedures Branch) and, with regard to communication OL BRA 3/2019, concerning state decree n. 64074/2019, has the honor to inform that domestic consultations are underway and to transmit the attached press release of the Secretariat of Public Security of the State of São Paulo.

The Permanent Mission of Brazil in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 29 March, 2019

Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights
Special Procedures Branch
"Law 15556, enacted in 2014, is fully constitutional and the Government of the State of São Paulo has regulated it because it considers that it protects the right to free manifestation at the same time as it curbs possible excesses of individuals who may commit crimes through anonymity. In other democracies where freedom of assembly is a consolidated right, such as the United States and Canada, laws of the same nature were implemented in order to ensure protection for the society."

"A Lei nº 15.556, sancionada em 2014, é totalmente constitucional e o Governo do Estado de SP a regulamentou por entender que ela protege o direito a livre manifestação ao mesmo tempo em que colhe possíveis excessos de pessoas que se utilizam do anonimato para cometer crimes. Em outras democracias onde a livre manifestação é um direito consolidado, como os EUA e o Canadá, leis da mesma natureza já foram implantadas garantindo proteção para a sociedade."