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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 letter [UA CHN 6/2019] dated 23 April 2019, has the honour to transmit herewith the reply by the Chinese Government.

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.



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

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(unofficial translation)

Ms. LIU Ximei, born in May 1982, is an ethnic Han from Xincai County, Henan Province of China, whose level of education is junior high school. She belongs to persons infected with HIV. Her family includes

They live in a public rental housing unit provided by the government of Xincai County.

The Chinese government attaches great importance to the medical treatment and non-discrimination of persons living with HIV and AIDS and has introduced a number of policies, such as The Regulation on the Prevention and Treatment of HIV/AIDS. Based on national policies regarding the medical treatment and social security support for persons living with HIV/AIDS, Henan Province continues to raise its provincial standards of support.

As a person infected with HIV, Ms. LIU benefits from the national policy of "four frees and one care", i.e., free medical consultancy, first HIV antibody screening test, free anti-HIV medicine and anti-HIV treatment.

The local authorities take care of Ms. Liu's life and maintain regular, friendly contacts with her and extend a helping hand when needed. In light of her living conditions, the local authorities provide her with living allowances and a public rental apartment. render her husband with urban subsistence allowances scheme and render Liu and her adopted daughter with the rural scheme. Liu's annual expenditures on hospital treatment and medicine are capped at an affordable amount, with the rest covered by the government.

Ms. Liu and her husband flew to Geneva on March 15, 2019, telling local officials by We chat that she was going abroad for medical treatment. They returned to Beijing on March 21 and her home on March 22. On her way back, she sent Wechat messages to local officials about her return. Local officials cared about her medical treatment and visited her at the night of her arrival, encouraging her to stay confident and sending her best wishes.

Since her return from Geneva, Ms. Liu has never been summoned, questioned, or arrested by local police. It is completely against the facts to claim that her freedom of speech and movement were restricted or that she faced reprisals for participating in events related to the UN. Ms. Liu and her husband are living a peaceful life and their living conditions are guaranteed.