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Dear Special Rapporteurs, Chair-Rapporteur,

# JOINT COMMUNICATION FROM SPECIAL PROCEDURES

1. I refer to your letter of 20 July 2017 in which you bring to our attention a number of potential issues relating to the regeneration of the Seven Sisters Indoor Market in London. I trust that the following information on the London Borough of Haringey (Wards Corner Regeneration Project) Compulsory Purchase Order 2016 (CPO) relating to the regeneration project as well as background to the CPO regime in general will answer your concerns.

2. Please therefore find as follows background information on the current status of this CPO and background to the CPO process in general. Answers to your specific questions are also provided. In answering your specific points, I trust you will understand that the public local inquiry into this CPO has only just concluded and the Inspector has yet to report to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government. In these circumstances, it would be both inappropriate and premature to make any case specific comments as this may prejudice the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government's consideration of this CPO.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Mr Deva, Ms Bennoune, Mr Kaye and Dr de Varennes,

Thank you for your letter of 15 March 2019 to the London Borough of Haringey regarding the Seven Sisters Indoor Market.

Please refer to my letter of 4 October 2017 for previous correspondence in respect of the London Borough of Haringey (Wards Corner Regeneration Project) Compulsory Purchase Order 2016 (the "Order"), enclosed for reference.

As you are aware, the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government confirmed the Order pursuant to section 226(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) in a decision letter dated 23 January 2019, a copy of which is also enclosed. An application for a judicial review of that decision has been made and is currently before the UK courts.

I hope this addresses your concerns in regards to the allegations you received. The UK Government reiterates our strong support for the work of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.



Yours sincerely,

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