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The Permanent Mission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honour to make its position clear regarding a joint communication sent by Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances and other Special Rapporteurs dated 11 February 2020.

The allegations of "abduction" of crew members and passengers who were on board, south Korean Air Lines flight YS-11 contained in a joint communication are the extension of the stereotyped despicable political plots fabricated by the hostile forces aimed at overthrowing the DPRK system using human rights as a pretext. Therefore DPRK categorically reject such allegations which have no worthy for consideration and revealed itself of its absurdity at the previous UN human rights fora.

If it really cares about protection of human rights, they are advised to refrain from carrying the cases fabricated by wire-pulling forces, but should rather pay attention to confirming of information on the fate and whereabouts of DPRK citizens abducted to the south Korea including 12 females abducted as a group in China, April 2016, and to the immediate repatriation of the abductees.

The Permanent Mission of the DPRK avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest considerations.



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