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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 joint communication [AL CHN 15/2020] dated 20 July 2020, has the honor 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.

Geneva, 23 October 2020

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

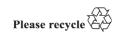
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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of communication AL CHN 15/2020 dated 20 July 2020 from the Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes, the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, the Special Rapporteur on the right to development, the Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment, the Special Rapporteur on the right to food, the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression, the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association, the Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders, the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation, of the United Nations Human Rights Council. The Chinese Government wishes to make the following reply.

The Chinese Government has always required corporations investing in foreign cooperation projects to strictly abide by local laws and regulations, to respect and guarantee human rights, to attach a great deal of importance to environmental protection, to promote sustainable development and to contribute to local social and economic development. With regard to the letter sent by the Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes, the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises and the other special mechanisms, containing accusations regarding the case of the Sepik Development Project in Papua New Guinea, after consultation with the relevant companies and the local Government, it has been understood that the claims of human rights violations have no factual basis and are purely false allegations. The companies in question have provided clarification regarding the relevant false claims. Please refer to the attached materials for details.

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中国政府一贯要求对外投资合作企业严格遵守当地法律法规,尊重和保障人权,高度重视环境保护,推动实现可持续发展,为当地经济社会发展作出贡献。对联合国人权理事会危险物质和废料处置对人权影响问题特别报告员、人权与跨国公司问题工作组等特别机制专家就巴布亚新几内亚"塞皮克发展项目"所涉个案发来指控函一事,经向相关企业及当地政府了解,所谓侵犯人权指控无事实依据,纯属诬陷。相关企业已就相关不实指控予以澄清,详见后附有关材料。