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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran 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 with reference to the latter’s Communication No. UA IRN 10/2021 dated 24 March 2021 concerning Mr. Siamak Moghimi and pursuant to the former’s Note Verbale No. 2050/790214 dated 25 May 2021 concerning the request for the extension of the deadline, has the honor to transmit, herewith, the comment of the Judiciary of the Islamic Republic of Iran in that regard.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran 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.

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Comment

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Regarding Mr. Siamak Moghimi

The points outlined hereunder, regarding Mr. Siamak Moghimi, are provided for further clarifications:

a) The aforesaid, with respect to the judicial case opened thereagainst and contents thereof, stood trial for committing arson against movable property and disruption of public order, and was therefore sentenced to five years of incarceration. The verdict issued thereon was pronounced upon exhaustion of all legal procedures and formalities. Upon the enforcement of Article 442 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, enacted in 2013, his sentence was commuted to four years and two months. Pardoned by the Leader of Islamic Revolution on grounds of Islamic leniency, the abovenamed was released from prison on the anniversary of the Iranian Islamic Republic Day on 2 May 2021. The alleged accusations enumerated in the letter of urgent appeal pertaining to “gathering and colluding to commit crimes against national security”, “propaganda against the State” and sentencing the aforementioned to “a total of 10 years of incarceration” are devoid of any standing and therefore declared absolutely untrue.

b) The abovenamed, whilst imprisoned, enjoyed access to all necessary facilities including medical services; therefore, allegations suggesting his medical care deprivation are unsubstantiated.
c) As per the contents of the personality record established for Mr. Moghimi, the aforesaid enjoys soundness of mind and has been fully cognisant of the prohibition of his unlawful deeds – allegations suggesting his “psychosocial disability” are unfounded.

d) Incontrovertible proofs, irrefutable evidence and exhibits existing in the case are indicative of his commission of *actus reus*; and, merely the express confessions made by the aforesaid have not been the ground for issuing judgment thereon. Therefore, allegations suggesting torture to elicit forced confessions are completely uncorroborated and devoid of any truth.