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In the Name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

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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. AL IRN 28/2021 dated 7 October 2021 concerning Ms. **Farzaneh Zeilabi**, 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

By

The High Council for Human Rights

Of

The Islamic Republic of Iran

Regarding Ms. Farzaneh Zeilabi

Informal Translation

In spite of the claim made by the Mandate Holders in their correspondence dated 7 October 2021 that Ms. Farzaneh Zeilabi was summoned to the court solely for her activities as the legal representative of laborers' rights advocates, the fact is that she was arrested on the charges of launching propaganda against the Islamic Republic of Iran, and supporting opposition groups via dissemination of false information, demonizing the situation in Iran on virtual platforms.

Collaborating with an unlawful group, Ms. Farzaneh Zeilabi established relations with a US-based, apparently human rights Israeli institution (a hostile regime) by enlisting the help of an element well-known for its opposition to the I.R of Iran. Ms. Zeilabi was sentenced to 1 year of discretionary incarceration once all legal proceedings were completed, reviewing all evidence, proofs and documents corroborating her

incriminating efforts and acquiring her defense bill as also the statements of her attorney of choice.

Therefore, the allegations of her being convicted due to “her legal activities in defense of human rights and representing laborers” or “conviction for the sole purpose of restricting her legitimate acts in upholding human rights” are totally inadmissible and dismissed outright.

Furthermore, this was an initial ruling and may be appealed in the provincial Courts of Appellation.