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The Permanent Mission of Brazil 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 honor to refer to the joint communication AL BRA 14/21, dated 13 December 2021, from the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, and others.

In addition to the Verbal Note n. 36, dated 15 February 2022, the Permanent Mission of Brazil in Geneva would like to forward the attached additional observations of the Government of Brazil regarding the aforementioned letter.

The Permanent Mission of Brazil in Geneva 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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ANNEX

With respect to letter AL BRA 14/21, signed by the Special Rapporteur about contemporary forms of racism and by other holders of special procedures, which concerns alleged human rights violations in the Complex of Salgueiro, in Rio de Janeiro, in November 2021, and in addition to the Note Verbal n.36, February 15 2022, Brazil would like to convey the following additional information:

According to information transmitted by the Secretary of State of Civil Police of the Government of the State of Rio de Janeiro, the Police Inquiry number 951-00693/2021 is currently being carried out within the scope of Homicide Police Station of Niterói and São Gonçalo (DHNSH, by its acronym in Portuguese) and concerns the investigations of the circumstances of the eight deaths registred in the Complex of Salgueiro, on November 21 2021.

The aforementioned Inquire is expected to establish the facts in a technical and impartial manner, under the oversight of the Public Ministry of the State of Rio de Janeiro, in compliance with the Code of Criminal Procedure and the jurisprudence of the Federal Supreme Court.

The Inquiry includes the hearing of witnesses and police involved in the facts and the gathering of technical evidence by criminal forensics and forensic physician of the Secretary of State of Civil Police of Rio de Janeiro. The measures that are being carried out on the course of the Inquiry are taken in strict accordance with the Constitutional principles and legal norms applicable to the matter.