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### Note Verbale

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to the other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights and has the honour to refer to the a communication sent by the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment on 29 March 2022.

The German Federal Government acknowledges receipt of communication AL DEU 2/2022 dated 29 March 2022 and wishes to inform OHCHR that the information requested therein by the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment will be provided in due course.

Germany attaches great importance to the Special Procedures of the United Nations in general and to the Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in particular. Any allegation of torture or ill treatment must be investigated diligently. We take note of the mandate holder's expression of appreciation of the prompt cooperation and ongoing dialogue with the Federal Government with respect to this investigation.

Upon receipt of the communication of the Special Rapporteur, the Federal Government undertook extensive internal coordination efforts regarding the response. As the questions contained in the communication concern matters that fall into the competency of the sixteen German Länder (federal states), compilation of the information requested and the respective translations will require additional time.

The Permanent Representation of Germany remains available for any further questions the Special Rapporteur may have.

To the  
Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights  
Palais Wilson  
Geneva

The Permanent Mission of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to the other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 31 May 2022

