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Dear Madam,

We refer to your letter to the European Investment Bank (EIB) dated 24 May 2022 concerning allegations of threats and intimidation by Government and police officials against indigenous community members of the FPIC and Rights Forum who have raised concerns about the impacts of the Marsyangdi Corridor transmission line project in Nepal. The project in question is developed by the Nepal Electricity Authority, with the financial support of the EIB and the Asian Development Bank.

The EIB takes seriously any information concerning intimidation and reprisals in the context of all the projects it finances, in line with its zero tolerance policy. In the spirit of good cooperation, the EIB has the pleasure of sharing with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) its detailed comments on the questions raised (Annex 1) and a copy of the requested EIB-CM Conclusions Report (Annex 2).

Finally, the EIB would be grateful if the OHCHR could provide it with a copy of the response(s) provided by the Permanent Mission of Nepal and the Nepal Electricity Authority, if and when available.

The EIB remains at your full disposal for any further clarification you may require.

Sincerely yours,

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