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Attn: Beatriz Balbin, Chief, Special Procedures Branch  
Office of the High Commissioner Human Rights  
Palais Des Nations,  
1211 Geneva 10  
Switzerland

Dear Ms Balbin,

REF: AL OTH 91/2022 – JOINT COMMUNICATION FROM SPECIAL PROCEDURES

I acknowledge your letter dated 22 September 2022 regarding the Joint Communication from Special Procedures. Woodside appreciates the opportunity to respond to the issues raised in the correspondence.

I wish to assure you that Woodside treats the issues that the Special Procedures have raised seriously and we intend to submit our detailed response within the 60 days allocated. Woodside would be pleased to meet with the Special Procedures to discuss our response and answer any queries that the Special Procedures might have.

Without wishing to pre-empt our detailed response, I make the following initial observations. By way of background, Woodside has operated on the Burrup Peninsula (Murujuga) in the Pilbara region of Western Australia for more than 35 years. Woodside is a global energy company, founded in Australia with a spirit of innovation and determination. We provide energy the world needs to heat and cool homes, keep lights on and enable industry.

With respect to the comments in your letter regarding potential impact on climate change, Woodside aims to thrive through the energy transition by building a low cost, lower-carbon, profitable, resilient and diversified portfolio. Our climate strategy has two key elements: reducing our net equity Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions; and investing in the products and services that our customers need, as they reduce their emissions. For more information, Woodside's 2021 Climate Report summarises our climate-related plans, activities, progress and climate-related data for the period 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021.

With respect to the comments in your letter regarding potential impact on Aboriginal rock art, we are proud of the relationships we have built with Traditional Owners and Custodians and we acknowledge the importance of cultural heritage within Murujuga, including its rock art. Our support for the World Heritage listing of Murujuga reflects this successful coexistence of industry and heritage, which is embedded in our processes and procedures and the commitment of our people.

Our detailed response will build upon these initial observations. In the meantime, should you wish to provide further correspondence or discuss with a Woodside representative please direct this matter to Tony Cudmore, Woodside's Senior Vice President, Strategy and Climate. Tony's contact details are: [tony.cudmore@woodside.com](mailto:tony.cudmore@woodside.com) or +61 (0) 8 9348 5163.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Meg O'Neill".

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