

## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS GENEVA

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the United Nations Office in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Procedures Branch, and has the honour to kindly ask for the extension of the deadline to deliver observations of the Croatian Government on the Joint Communication sent by the Working Group on discrimination against women and girls, Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health and Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences concerning lack of access to abortion services guaranteed by law in the case of Mirela Čavajda.

The request for extension is based on the fact that in the aforementioned case a close multisector cooperation and coordination is necessary, which requires additional time and consultations for the preparation of a comprehensive and substantive response that will cover all aspects of the case.

Having this in mind, we would highly appreciate the extension of the deadline for additional 30 days, with a view to submit our response as soon as possible.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the United Nations Office in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Procedures Branch, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 23 January 2023

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