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The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Special Procedures Branch of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and has the honour to refer to the communication no. UA LKA 1/2023 on the 'Joint Urgent Appeal from Special Procedures' dated 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 forwarding a letter addressed to the Hon. Minister of Foreign Affairs by the Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, including its causes and consequences and the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children.

The Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka wishes to request an extension of two weeks (until 28 April 2023) from the OHCHR to respond to the above communication as the Government of Sri Lanka is in the process of consulting relevant line agencies on the specific issues raised.

The Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka would appreciate an acknowledgment of the receipt of this communication by the Special Procedures Branch at the earliest.

The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the United Nations Office in Geneva and Other International Organizations in Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Special Procedures Branch of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) the assurances of its highest consideration.



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