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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of communication AL/CHN/12/2024 sent by the special mechanisms of the United Nations Human Rights Council. The Chinese Government wishes to reply as follows:

1. Ji Xiaolong is a 48-year-old male. In order to vent his dissatisfaction, Mr. Ji repeatedly caused disturbances in public places in July 2018, disrupting social order and causing serious disorder in public places. His behavior constituted the crime of picking quarrels and provoking trouble. On 14 January 2019 the People's Court in Pudong New District in Shanghai sentenced Mr. Ji to 3 years and 6 months in prison for the crime of picking quarrels and provoking trouble. After the sentencing, Mr. Li filed an appeal. The Shanghai First Intermediate People's Court, after hearing that case in accordance with the law, on 11 April 2019 rejected the appeal and upheld the original ruling. After Mr. Ji was released from prison, he fabricated a large amount of false information and spread it on information networks from April to August 2022, seriously disrupting public order. His actions constituted the crime of picking quarrels and provoking trouble. As a repeat offender, he was subject to severe penalties, in accordance with the law. On 14 October 2023 the People's Court in Pudong New District in Shanghai sentenced Mr. Ji to 4 years and 6 months in prison for the crime of picking quarrels and provoking trouble. After the sentencing, Mr. Li filed an appeal. The Shanghai First Intermediate People's Court, after hearing that case in accordance with the law, on 17 April 2024 rejected the appeal and upheld the original ruling. Mr. Ji is currently serving time in prison.

2. Chen Pinlin is a 33-year-old male. In November 2023, he was placed in criminal detention by the Shanghai public security bodies, in accordance with the law, on suspicion of picking quarrels and provoking trouble. On 3 April 2024, he was prosecuted by the Baoshan District People's Procuratorate in Shanghai. The case was postponed because the accused changed defence counsel. The Baoshan District People's Court in Shanghai will set a date to hear this case.

3. China is a country ruled by law, and the judicial bodies have protected the legitimate rights of Ji Xiaolong and Chen Pinlin, in accordance with the law. The country's prisons have always enforced the law adhering to strict, fair and civilized standards, guaranteed the rights of prisoners to life, health, visits and correspondence in accordance with the law and accepted the legal supervision of the people's procuratorates.