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Excellency,

In my capacity as Special Rapporteur for Follow-up on Concluding Observations of the Human Rights Committee, I have the honour to refer to the follow-up to the examination of the third periodic report of Bulgaria at the Committee's 102nd session, held in July 2011.

At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that, in paragraph 28 of the concluding observations, the Committee requested the State party to provide within one year further information on the specific areas of concern identified in paragraphs 8, 11 and 21 of the concluding observations.

During the 106th session of the Committee, held in Geneva in October 2012, the Committee noted that information sought by the Committee had not yet been provided. Therefore, I write to request that the above-mentioned additional information be submitted at Your Government's earliest convenience.

The next session of the Human Rights Committee will take place in March 2013. If the State party wishes the referred information to be taken into account on this occasion, a **Word electronic version** of the reply should be sent to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Committee by **15 February 2013** (Kate Fox (kfox@ohchr.org) and Albane Prophette-Pallasco, (aprophette@ohchr.org)).

The Committee looks forward to pursuing its constructive dialogue with the authorities of Bulgaria on the implementation of the Covenant.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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