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Excellency,

In my capacity as Special Rapporteur for Follow-up to Concluding Observations of the Human Rights Committee, I have the honour to refer to the follow-up to the examination of the second periodic report of Albania at the 108th session, held in July 2013.

At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that, in paragraph 25 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 9 and 13 of the concluding observations.

On 1 December 2014, the Special Rapporteur for Follow-up to concluding observations of the Human Rights Committee sent you a letter of reminder. During its 113th session held in Geneva in March 2015, the Committee noted that no reply was received.

Taking this situation into account, the Committee decided to send a second reminder to the State party, requesting that the above-mentioned additional information be submitted to the Committee.

The next follow-up report will be adopted in October 2015. If the State party wishes the information referred to be taken into account on that occasion, a Word electronic version of the reply should be sent to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Committee by 1 August 2015 (Kate Fox: (kfox@ohchr.org) and Fernanda Santana: fsantana@ohchr.org).

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

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

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