11 November 2019

Excellency,

In our capacity as Chair and Rapporteur for follow-up to concluding observations of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, we have the honour to refer to the examination of the fifth periodic report of Sri Lanka at the Committee’s sixty-first session, held in June 2017. In the concluding observations, the Committee requested Sri Lanka to provide, within 18 months, written information on the steps undertaken to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 8, 50 and 68. In April 2019, a reminder (note verbale ref. 2019-26/CESCR/FU) was sent regarding the follow-up information which was due in December 2018.

During its sixty-sixth session, held in October 2019, the Committee noted that the information it requested had still not been received. Therefore, we write on behalf of the Committee to request that the above-mentioned information be submitted by 8 December 2019. The follow-up report should be sent in WORD format and not exceed 3,500 words.

For further information, please contact Maja Andrijasevic-Boko, Secretary of the Committee, at cescr@ohchr.org (cc: mandrijasevic-boko@ohchr.org), tel. 022 917 92 16 or the assistant, Zala Sonjak Sarf at cescr@ohchr.org, tel. 022 91794 50.

The Committee looks forward to pursuing its constructive dialogue with the Government of Sri Lanka on the implementation of the Covenant.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of our highest consideration.

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Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

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