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Excellency,

I wish to inform you that the Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, in the course of its 83rd session, considered the follow-up report submitted by the Government of Slovenia, pursuant to Rule 65(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the Committee.

The Committee welcomes the submission of the report, in response to its request to receive information within one year on the implementation of the recommendations contained in paragraphs 10 and 13 of the Concluding Observations (CERD/C/SVN/CO/6-7), adopted following the consideration of the State party's combined sixth and seventh periodic report during its 77th session in August 2010.

The Committee appreciates the opportunity provided to continue its dialogue with the State party, and would like to draw the State party's attention to the observations mentioned below. The Committee requests that comments and responses on actions taken by the State party on these issues to be included in its eighth to eleventh periodic reports to be submitted in a single document, which was due on 6 July 2013.

Paragraph 10 of the Concluding Observations: The Committee thanks the State party for the information provided on measures taken to legalize and regulate Roma settlements to ensure their access to housing as well as employment. The Committee requests further information on the progress achieved in legalizing Roma settlements and ensuring adequate living conditions.

His Excellency Ambassador Matjaž Kovačič Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the United Nations Office and other International organizations at Geneva Email: mge@gov.si **Paragraph 13 of the Concluding Observations:** The Committee thanks the State party for the information provided and requests further information on the outcome of the Working Group on Comprehensive Resolving of the Issue of the Erased, the number of "erased persons" who have obtained permanent residence permits, and the number of individuals who have been granted compensation.

Rest assured, Excellency, that the Committee looks forward to continuing its constructive dialogue with the Government of Slovenia, with a view to providing it with assistance in its efforts to ensure the effective implementation of the Convention.

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

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