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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 examination of the third report of Georgia, at the Committee's 91<sup>st</sup> session, held in October 2007. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that, in the final paragraph 19 of the concluding observations, the Committee requested the State party to provide, within one year, information regarding the specific areas of concern identified in paragraphs 8, 9 and 11 of the concluding observations.

On 13 January 2009, follow-up information on these paragraphs was received. At its 95<sup>th</sup> session, held in March 2009 in New York, the Committee noted that the information provided was incomplete. On 29 May 2009, my predecessor wrote to your Permanent Mission requesting additional information from the State party on the above mentioned paragraphs.

On 28 October 2009, additional information was submitted on these paragraphs. At its 99<sup>th</sup> session, held in July 2010, the Committee noted that the information provided was incomplete with regard to certain recommendations. I, therefore, wish to request additional and more specific information, in particular on the measures taken by Georgia to:

- (a) ensure prompt investigation of complaints related to domestic violence and other acts of violence against women (paragraph 8);
- (b) protect victims of domestic violence, including establishing a sufficient number of appropriate shelters across the country (paragraph 8);
- (c) ensure prompt and impartial investigations of complaints concerning actions of law enforcement officials, and make public the results of such investigations, including with respect of the 2006 disturbance at Tbilisi Prison No. 5 (paragraph);
- (d) initiate criminal proceedings against perpetrators (paragraph 9);
- (e) reduce overcrowding in the prison system and to promote the use of alternatives to imprisonment (paragraph 11);

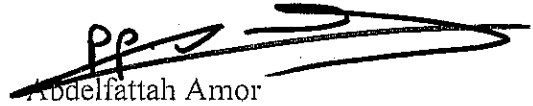
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A word electronic version of any additional information should be sent to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Committee (Mr. Anganile Mwenifumbo, [amwenifumbo@ohchr.org](mailto:amwenifumbo@ohchr.org)).

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

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'PP' followed by a stylized flourish.

Abdelfattah Amor  
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