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Excellency,

In my capacity as Special Rapporteur for Follow-up on Concluding Observations of the Human Rights Committee, I should like to refer to information you provided to the Committee on 15 October 2008 (CCPR/C/AUT/CO/4/Add.1) and an on 22 July 2009 (CCPR/C/AUT/CO/4/Add.2), by way of follow-up to the examination of the fourth periodic report of Austria. The Committee welcomes the co-operation shown by Austria in responding to the request of the Committee for further information on the specific areas listed in paragraphs 11, 12, 16 and 17 of its concluding observations.

At its 97th session (October 2009), the Committee decided that the information provided is largely satisfactory and no further action was required at this time. As you know, the date by which the next periodic report of Austria is due is 30 October 2012. The Committee looks forward to pursuing its constructive dialogue with the Austrian authorities on the implementation of the Covenant at that time.

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

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