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Excellency,

I wish to inform you that the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, during its 106th session, considered the follow-up report submitted by the Government of Peru, pursuant to article 9 (1) of the Convention and 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 23 (c), 25 (d) and 27 of the concluding observations (CERD/C/PER/CO/22-23), adopted following the consideration of the State party's combined 22nd and 23rd periodic reports, at its 95th session, held from 23 April to 11 May 2018.

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 be included in its combined 24th and 25th periodic reports, to be submitted in a single document, by 29 October 2022.

Paragraph 23 (c) of the Concluding Observations

The Committee notes the information provided by the State party on the investigations into the case of Olivia Arévalo. While also noting the information provided by the State party on the various measures taken to protect human rights defenders, the Committee regrets the lack of information on investigations of acts of harassment, intimidation or retaliation and threats against human rights defenders and on whether responsible parties have been duly punished. The Committee considers the response to this recommendation unsatisfactory and requests the State party to provide updated information in its next periodic report.

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Paragraph 25 (d) of the Concluding Observations

The Committee regrets the lack of specific information on investigations of allegations of excessive force, ill-treatment or abuse directed at members of indigenous peoples by law enforcement officials, and the lack of information on prosecutions or punishments for such acts. The Committee considers the response to this recommendation unsatisfactory, reiterates its recommendation and requests the State party to provide the requested information in its next periodic report.

Paragraph 27 of the Concluding Observations

The Committee welcomes the information provided by the State party on the steps taken to facilitate access for victims to the Registry of Victims of Forced Sterilization, including activities to raise awareness of the registry, mobile registration drives, and translation support provided to victims. The Committee also welcomes the information provided by the State party on the free legal assistance, and psychological, social and other support provided to victims of forced sterilization. The Committee requests the State party to include, in its next periodic report, further updated information on the investigations on forced sterilizations, including on convictions and punishments handed down, and on reparations provided to victims. The Committee considers the response to this recommendation partially satisfactory and requests the State party to provide the missing information in its next periodic report.

Rest assured, Excellency, that the Committee looks forward to continuing its constructive dialogue with the Government of Peru, 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.

Yours sincerely,



Verene Shepherd
Chair

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