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Excellency,

In my capacity as Special Rapporteur for Follow-up to Concluding Observations of the Human Rights Committee, I have the honour to refer to the follow-up to the examination of the initial report of the Lao People's Democratic Republic at the 123<sup>rd</sup> session, held in July 2018.

At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that, in paragraph 42 of the concluding observations ([CCPR/C/LAO/CO/1](#)), the Committee requested the State party to provide, within two years of the adoption of the concluding observations, information on the implementation of recommendations contained in *paragraphs 20 (enforced disappearances), 38 (participation in public affairs and the right to vote) and 40 (rights of persons belonging to minorities)* of the concluding observations.

During its 131<sup>st</sup> session held in March 2021, the Committee noted that the information requested had not yet been provided and decided to send a reminder to the State party. The Committee would appreciate receiving the above-mentioned information by **28 June 2021**.


The State party is kindly requested, when submitting its reply to the Committee, not to reiterate information that has already been provided to the Committee but rather to focus on the measures taken to implement the recommendations selected for the follow-up procedure since the adoption of the concluding observations on 23 July 2018.

The reply should not exceed a maximum of 3,500 words and should be sent to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Committee ([ccpr@ohchr.org](mailto:ccpr@ohchr.org)) in Microsoft Word electronic version.

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

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

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