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Excellency,

I write to inform you that in the course of its 78th session, the Committee considered replies provided by the State party in relation to the Committee's decision 1(77) (copy attached for ease of reference) on ethnic violence in southern Kyrgyzstan in June 2010, transmitted to you under its early warning and urgent action procedure. The Committee thanks the State party for responses provided in the Permanent Mission's note verbale dated 18 January 2011.

While noting responses provided by the State party, the Committee would like to request the State party to provide additional and detailed information on measures taken to reconstruct destroyed houses in particular those belonging to persons of Uzbek community, in territories where they were living before the conflict; measures taken to conduct impartial investigations of acts of violence, in particular against the Uzbek community and to bring all perpetrators to justice; actions taken to facilitate access to justice, particularly for victims of Uzbek origin and to provide them with adequate redress or to their families. The Committee also requests the State party to inform the Committee on the number of trials that already took place and sanctions imposed for those responsible. The Committee would also like to receive clarification as to why detained persons accused of having been involved in the June 2010 violence are mostly from the Uzbek community, although the majority of victims of violence were Uzbek.

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In accordance with article 9(1) of the Convention and article 65 of its Rules of Procedure, the Committee would be grateful to urgently receive information on all of the issues and concerns a outlined above, **before 31 July 2011.**

The Committee also notes that the State party's combined fifth, sixth and seventh periodic report is overdue since 4 October 2010, and requests the State party to submit it at its earliest convenience.

Allow me, Excellency, to reiterate the wish of the Committee to continue to engage in a constructive dialogue with the Government of Kyrgyzstan, with a view to provide it with assistance in the effective implementation of the Convention.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination