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Excellency,

I wish to inform you that the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, during its 104<sup>th</sup> session, considered the follow-up report submitted by the Government of Uzbekistan, 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 13(c), (d) and 19 of the Concluding Observations (CERD/C/UZB/CO/10-12), adopted following the consideration of the State party's combined 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> periodic reports, at its 100<sup>th</sup> session, held in November-December 2019.

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 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> periodic reports, to be submitted in a single document, by 28 October 2022.

### **Paragraph 13 (c) and (d) of the Concluding Observations**

The Committee, while noting the information that out of 69,851 Luli/Roma in the State party, 25,638 have been issued documents by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Uzbekistan, remains concerned and requests the State party to provide explanations for which the remaining Luli/Roma have not been issued such documents, and information on measures envisaged to solve this problem. While further noting the general information on preschool education provided by the State party, the Committee regrets the lack of statistics on the rates of preschool enrolment, school attendance, and school completions of Luli/Roma children and on specific measures taken to improve their educational achievements. The Committee considers the answer of the State party unsatisfactory.

### **Paragraph 19 of the Concluding Observations**

The Committee welcomes the information provided on the ethnic distribution of persons in prison or preventive detention in the State party.

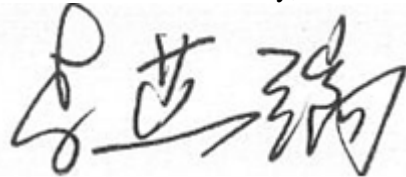
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The Committee also welcomes the approval by the State party of a road map for the implementation of the National Human Rights strategy, which provides for improvements to the State and non-State statistical system for data collection. The Committee considers the answer to this recommendation satisfactory and requests the State party to provide, in its next periodic report, an update on the improvements of its statistical system for data collection where this is relevant to the Convention.

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



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Chair

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