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Excellency,

In my capacity as Special Rapporteur for Follow-up on Concluding Observations of the Human Rights Committee, I have the honour to refer to follow-up to the examination of the sixth periodic report of the Ukraine, at the Committee's 88th session, held in October 2006. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that, in paragraph 20 of the concluding observations, the Committee requested the Ukraine to provide within one year further information on the specific areas of concern identified in paragraphs 7, 11, 14 and 16 of the concluding observations.

The Ukraine's follow-up report was received on the 19th of May 2008. At its 93rd session, held in July 2008 in Geneva, the Committee noted that the information provided was incomplete. On 28 August 2009, the State party provided further information on these paragraphs. At its 97th session, held in October 2009 in Geneva, the Committee noted that the information provided with regard to hygienic facilities, access to health care and adequate food in detention facilities (paragraph 11), as well as with regard to the restitution of Muslim religious property (paragraph 16) was largely satisfactory.

The Committee also noted that its recommendations to establish an independent police complaints mechanism, such as a civilian police review board (paragraph 7) and to introduce a videotaping system for the interrogation of criminal suspects (paragraph 7) had not been implemented. On 26 April 2010, my predecessor wrote to your Permanent Mission requesting additional information from the State party as to the progress achieved in relation to these matters.

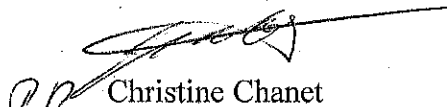
During its 99th session, held in July 2010, the Committee noted that no such information had been received. A letter of reminder for the required information was sent to your Permanent Mission. Nonetheless, during the 101st session held in March 2011, the Committee noted that the requested information had not been received.

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Therefore, I write again to request that the above-mentioned additional information be submitted to the Committee at Your Government's earliest convenience. A Word electronic version of the reply should be sent to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Committee (Kate Fox (kfox@ohchr.org) and Albane Prophette-Pallasco, (aprophette@ohchr.org)). The Committee looks forward to pursuing its constructive dialogue with the authorities of the Ukraine on the implementation of the Covenant.

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



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