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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 examination of the fourth periodic report of the Netherlands.

As you know, in paragraph 29 of its concluding observations, the Committee requested the State party to provide within one year further information on the specific areas of concern identified in paragraphs 7, 9 and 23 of the concluding observations.

On 16 September 2011, the State party submitted information on these paragraphs. During the 103rd session of the Committee, held in October 2011 in Geneva, the Committee considered that the reply on paragraphs 9 and 23 was partially satisfactory. A letter was sent to your Permanent Mission on 21 November 2011 to require additional and more precise information on the referred paragraphs.

At its 104th session held in March 2012, the Committee noted that the referred information had not been received. Therefore I write to request that the referred follow-up report be submitted to the Committee at Your Government's earliest convenience.

The next report of the Human Rights Committee on follow-up to concluding observations will be adopted in October 2012. If the State party wishes the referred information to be taken into account on that occasion, the reply should be sent in a Word electronic version to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Committee by 20 July 2012 (Kate Fox, [kfox@ohchr.org](mailto:kfox@ohchr.org) and Albane Prophette-Pallasco, [aprophette@ohchr.org](mailto:aprophette@ohchr.org)).

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

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



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