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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 sixth periodic report of Germany.

At the end of its 106th session, the Committee transmitted its concluding observations to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that, in paragraph 20 of the concluding observations, the Committee requested the State party to provide within one year further information on the specific areas of concern identified in paragraphs 11, 14 and 15 of the concluding observations.

On 12 January 2016, the Committee received the reply of the State party. At its 117th session, held in July 2016, the Committee analysed this information and adopted the following decisions:

- **Paragraph 11: [A]:** The Committee appreciates the State party's decision to suspend transfers of asylum seekers to Greece.
- **Paragraph 15: [B2]:** The Committee takes note of the additional information provided by the State party regarding trainings and requests additional information regarding the number of personnel who have received trainings and the number of facilities for which trainings have been conducted. The Committee reiterates its request for information on investigations and appropriate sanctions for those responsible for violations of legal provisions related to the use of physical restraint measures in residential homes. The Committee also requests information on whether audits regarding the use of restraints are conducted routinely or only in response to specific complaints.

Taking into account that the State party has provided three substantive replies, (in accordance with paragraph 26 of the Note by the Human Rights Committee on the procedure for follow-up to concluding observations, CCPR/C/108/2), the Committee considered that the follow-up procedure has come to an end. Nonetheless, the State party is required to provide the Committee with information on the issues referred to in the context of its seventh periodic report.

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

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

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