The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other international organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and with reference to the joint communication letter by Mr. Philip Alston - Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights, Mr. Koumbou Boly Barry - Special Rapporteur on the right to education, Mr. David Kaye - Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression and Ms. Maina Kiai - Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association, dated 11 April 2017 (Ref: AL TUR 4/2017), has the honour to inform the Latter that, due to the continuation of the preparations of relevant authorities on the issues, the Government of the Republic of Turkey wishes to be accorded an extension of deadline, to provide the responses to the information request stated in the aforementioned letter.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 6 June 2017

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