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VERBAL NOTE

The Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to LA/COD/50/1 of 8 January 2019, has the honor to submit the following information concerning criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission, pursuant to United Nations General Assembly resolution 73/196 of 20 December 2018.

Finland remains ready to consider a proposal for a comprehensive international legal framework to ensure that criminal conduct of UN officials and experts on mission is addressed. We welcome the Committee's further elaboration on this issue under the 74th General Assembly.

Finland would like to inform the Secretary-General that no crimes of a serious nature committed by Finnish nationals while serving as United Nations officials or experts on mission have been brought to the attention of the Finnish authorities. Nor are the Finnish authorities aware of any allegations, investigations or proceedings against Finnish nationals suspected of having committed such crimes while serving as United Nations officials and experts on mission. Should such allegations be made, all appropriate measures would be taken to investigate and prosecute those crimes in accordance with Finnish law.

Finland would also like to refer to the 2016 response, which remains valid.

The Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurance of its highest consideration.

31 May 2019



H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General of the United Nations