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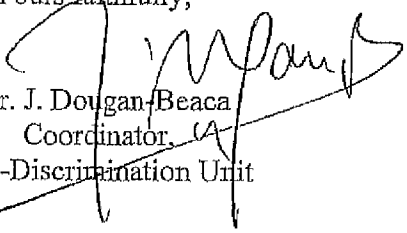
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Dear Sir,

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights would like to inform you that decision PC1/2 of the Preparatory Committee for the Durban Review Conference establishes the procedure by which non-governmental organisations may be accredited to participate in the Preparatory Committee and the Review Conference. In the case of non-governmental organizations not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and not accredited to participate in the World Conference against Racism in 2001, paragraph (d) (v) of this decision establishes that the Secretariat shall send to Member States, on a periodic basis, the updated list of applications received. Member States may submit comments on any of the applications in the list within 14 days from receipt of the above-mentioned list. The comments of Member States shall be communicated to the non-governmental organization concerned, which will be offered the opportunity to respond.

Your request for accreditation was circulated to all member States of the United Nations. The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights has been informed by the Government of Iran that it has decided to object to the accreditation of your organisation. Paragraph (d) (vii) of decision PC1/2 provides that in the event that a Member State raises questions concerning the accreditation of a non-governmental organization, the final decision on such cases shall be taken by the Preparatory Committee in accordance with the standard process established in Council resolution 1996/31.

Yours faithfully,


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