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OBJET/SUBJECT: **Letter from the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation**

Please find attached a letter and a questionnaire in English, French and Spanish from the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation.

**Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation**

16 September 2021

Excellency,

I have the honour to address you in my capacity as the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation, pursuant to resolution 42/5 of the Human Rights Council.

I am writing to invite your Excellency's Government to provide me with contributions for the preparation of my 2022 thematic reports. For the 51st session of the Human Rights Council, I will focus on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation of indigenous peoples, and for the 77th session of the UN General Assembly, the focus will be on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation of people living in impoverished rural areas. The attached questionnaire in English, French, and Spanish will also be available on my webpage in the coming days at: [www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/WaterAndSanitation/SRWater/Pages/SRWaterIndex.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/WaterAndSanitation/SRWater/Pages/SRWaterIndex.aspx)

I would be grateful if this letter and the annexed questionnaire could be transmitted to relevant authorities, inviting them to kindly provide submissions or documents **no later than 31 December 2021**. I will be considering submissions received by 31 December 2021 for the two above-mentioned reports. For those submissions received after the deadline, I will review and consider them for the mandate activities subsequent to the two reports.

All responses will be posted on the official webpage of the Special Rapporteur unless it is indicated that the submission and/or the supporting documentation should be kept confidential.

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



Pedro Arrojo-Agudo  
Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation