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The Secretary-General of the United Nations has the honour to refer to his Note Verbale dated 31 December 2019 by which he informed His Excellency's Government that in accordance with article 17 paragraph 6 of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, the Government of China had decided, subject to the approval of the majority of States parties, to appoint Mr. Liu Huawen as a member of the Committee against Torture for the remainder of the term of Ms. Honghong Zhang, which will expire on 31 December 2021.

The Secretary-General wishes to inform His Excellency's Government that none of the States parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment have responded negatively within the six-week period after having been informed by the Secretary-General of the proposed appointment. Accordingly, the Secretary-General considers that the States parties have approved the appointment of Mr. Liu Huawen as member of the Committee against Torture in accordance with the above-mentioned provision.

