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The Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and has the honour to inform that, by a Resolution of the Council of Ministers dated May 9, 2013, the Portuguese “Provedor de Justiça” (*Ombudsman*) has been designated as the National Mechanism for the Prevention of Torture in accordance with the relevant provisions of the **Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture** and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

The Permanent Mission of Portugal avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Secretariat of the Subcommittee  
on Prevention of Torture  
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