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The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the Office of the United Nations and other International Organisations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and with the reference to the latter's Note No. IW/MK/8W/IS dated 4 June 2008, has the honour to submit the relevant information in accordance with the Human Rights Council resolution 7/9 – "human rights of persons with disabilities".

The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Human Rights Council resolution 7/9 - human rights of persons with disabilities

a) Legal measures for ratification of the Convention and Optional Protocol

The President of the Slovak Republic signed the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol on 26 June 2007. The Government of the Slovak Republic by its resolution No. 737 has designated the Minister of Labour, Social Affairs and Family, the Deputy Prime Minister for Knowledge Society, European Affairs, Human Rights and Minority and other relevant ministries to ensure that the domestic law and practice are consistent with commitments arising from the Convention and to submit draft measures for the ratification and implementation of the Convention.

At the present the experts of relevant ministries are reviewing the existing legislation in the terms of compliance with the Convention and will decide on the necessity to adopt legislative and non - legislative measures to ensure their compliance with the Convention.

b) Legal measures for implementation of the Convention and Optional Protocol

After the done analysis legislative/non legislative measures for the effective implementation of the Convention and Optional Protocol will be adopted.

c) Legal measures on national monitoring, particularly in relation to article 33 of the Convention

The Council of the Government of the Slovak Republic for Persons with disabilities, the advisory body of the government was established on 1 June 2008 with the Deputy Prime Minister for Knowledge Society, European, Human Rights and Minority as the head of the Council. It substitutes the former Council of the Government of the Slovak Republic for the issue of Citizens with disabilities. The Council has all assumption to become a coordination and monitoring body for the ratification and implementation of the Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

d) Any other information relating to paragraph 16 of the resolution

The Minister of Labour, Social Affairs and Family established a working group carrying out an analysis of the legal provisions and ratification of the Convention and Optional Protocol involving experts of the relevant ministries, civil society and persons with disabilities.