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**Member of the Subcommittee on
Prevention of Torture and other
Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading
Treatment or Punishment (SPT)**

Ms. Anica TOMŠIĆ

Dear Ms. Tomšić!

I take this opportunity to present my compliments to you and express my sincere gratitude for the opportunity given to the National Preventive Mechanism of Ukraine to submit proposals to the Draft General Comment No. 1 on places of deprivation of liberty (Article 4) taking into account the experience of preventive visits to places of deprivation of liberty.

We have considered the above-mentioned Draft and, based on the results of the review, let me inform you that we have no comments and do support the Draft.

I highly value our fruitful cooperation and partnership in the field of protection of human rights and let me express my sincere interest in further strengthening this cooperation.

Let me invite you to Ukraine to conduct joint visits to places of deprivation of liberty, so that you could see with your own eyes the terrible consequences of Russian aggression against our country.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my highest consideration and suggest to continue exchanging experience in our area of work.

**Best regards,
Representative of the Commissioner
for Human Rights in Places of Detention**

Vitalii NIKULIN