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The Permanent Mission of India to the Office of the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honour to refer letter dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2022, seeking inputs on the role of local government and the challenges faced in the promotion and protection of human rights, including in relation to the right to equality and non-discrimination and the protection of persons in vulnerable and marginalized situations, with a view to identifying possible elements of principles guiding local and national governments in this regard for the report to the Council prior to its fifty-first session.

The Permanent Mission of India submits India's inputs in this regard which are enclosed at **Annexure I.** 

The Permanent Mission of India to the Office of the United Nations and other International Organizations in Geneva 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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