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Excellency,

I would like to thank you for the constructive meeting this morning concerning the letter by the Ministry of the Interior and Social Affairs of Denmark regarding a statement by Mr. Jose Doria, broadcast in Denmark on 3 November 2009.

As discussed, I wish to emphasize that in the statement Mr. Doria spoke entirely in his personal capacity and in no way represents the position of OHCHR or the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. As you will be aware, OHCHR would not pronounce itself on issues within the sole competence of the Committee, including compliance of States parties with their obligations under the Convention. As the esteemed Ministry emphasized, any such examination will occur in the context of the reporting procedure, at the time when Denmark will present its report to the Committee.

I enclose for your information the original tape of the interview. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance to clarify the matter. I look forward to our continued cooperation to advance the rights of persons with disabilities.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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