

## **NOTE VERBALE**

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The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (SPT) and, following the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture by Slovakia, has the honour to transmit the following information.

Referring to Part IV of the abovementioned Optional Protocol, the following institutions have been designated as the National Preventive Mechanism: Public Defender of Rights (as Coordinator) and Commissioner for the Persons with Disabilities and the Commissioner for Children.

The relevant legislation that establishes the National Preventive Mechanism, the Act No. 110/2023 Coll. amending Act No. 564/2001 Coll. on the public defender of rights as amended and amending other acts, is enclosed.

The necessary contact details for National Preventive Mechanisms are as follows:

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The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (SPT) the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 1 February 2024

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