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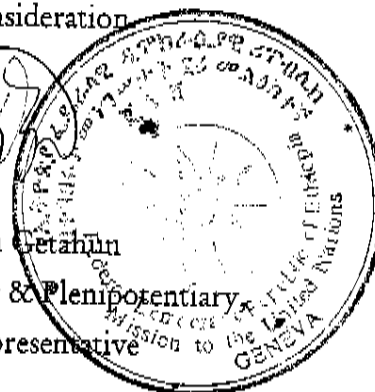
I am writing this letter on behalf of the African Group to inform you the Group's objection to the request made by the Commission of Inquiry on Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea to display video containing testimonies of witnesses as part of its report to the Council on 17 March 2014.

The request of the Commission of Inquiry is not supported by the Resolutions of the General Assembly and the Human Rights Council establishing the Council, the Rules of Procedure and the practice of the Council. The Human Rights Council Resolution A/HRC/RES/22/13 of 21 March 2013 on the Situation of Human Rights in Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea of which requested the Commission of Inquiry to present a written report to the Council at its twenty-fifth session.

The Group do not support the request made by the Commission of Inquiry to support its report by video witnesses testimonies.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration

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 Permanent Representative



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