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Saalbach, 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, 2008

Legal Statement in Relation the the Follow-up-procedure in the case Dr. Perterer vs. Austria (Communication No. 1015/2001)

Dear Sir,

I would like to transmit to you a "Legal Statement" by Prof. Dr. Hollaender, head of the CENTER OF LEGAL RESEARCH at the University of Vienna. This Statement deals with the legal situation in Austria and the attempts of the Austrian Government to make you believe, that it is me, the complaint, who would have no interest in an amicable settlement. But that is not the truth.

In a letter<sup>1</sup> to the Austrian Foreign Minister, Mrs. Dr. Ursula Plassnik, I have tried once more, to make clear, that the Republik of Austria is obligated to implement the VIEWS of the Human Rights Committee.

In the past I have made two offers for an amicable settlement, but there was no willingness to even talk about it, as it was far beyond the report of the Austrian Ombudsmann Board to the parliament. At the moment I am making a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please see Enclosure a) to this letter

third offer for an amicable settlement hoping that this time the Austrian Chancellor will invite me for negotiations.

As soon as Mrs. Dr. Ursula Plassnik is giving me an answer to my letter of August 21<sup>st</sup>, you will get a further reply to the letter of the Austrian Mission of July 28<sup>th</sup>, within the given time until October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. Even in the case, as I am not getting an answer from the Austrian Foreign Ministry, you will get a further reply until October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Perterer

Enclosures:

- a) Letter to the Austrian Secretary of State 21<sup>st</sup> of August, 2008 b) Legal Statement 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, 2008