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Ms. Mireille Fanon Mendes-France
Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group of experts on people of African descent
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Mr. Baskut Tuncak
Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally
sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes
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Mr. Dainius Puras
Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable
standard
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Geneva, Switzerland

Ms. Victoria Lucia Tauli-Corpuz
Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples
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Ms. Rita Izsák-Ndiaye
Special Rapporteur on minority issues
Geneva, Switzerland

Mr. Mutuma Ruteere
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and
related intolerance
Geneva, Switzerland

Mr. Léo Heller
Special Rapporteur on the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation
Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Ms. Fanon Mendes-France, Mr. Tuncak, Mr. Puras, Ms. Tauli-Corpuz, Ms. Izsák-
Ndiaye, Mr. Ruteere, and Mr. Heller:

Thank you for your letter dated March 2, 2016, expressing concern about the water supply in
Flint, Michigan. The United States takes very seriously matters such as these and would like

to assure you that we will endeavor to deliver a response to your inquiry as soon as possible.

We are coordinating closely with other agencies and departments across the U.S. government to address your questions related to the aforementioned concern. Please be assured that we will promptly pass any information that we obtain to you through the United States Mission to the United Nations in Geneva.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Harper", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Keith M. Harper
Ambassador
U.S. Representative to the UN Human Rights Council