



Mission permanente d'Israël
auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies
et des Organisations Internationales à Genève

משלחת ישראל
ליד משרד האומות המאוחדות
והארגונים הבינלאומיים בג'נבה

H.E.Mr. Baudelaire Ndong Ella
Ambassador
President of the Human Rights Council
Geneva

Geneva, 13 March 2014

Dear Mr. President,

I regret to inform you that the labor dispute involving the staff of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and its Diplomatic Representations continues.

As a consequence of the labor dispute, and as communicated to all International Organizations and Missions in Geneva in a Note Verbale on 5 March 2014, all contacts by the Permanent Mission of Israel with the UN, other International Organizations and Permanent Missions are suspended until further notice.

The right to resort to labor action including the right to strike is a basic human right and should be respected by both our colleagues and international civil servants.

In light of the above mentioned and in order to proceed and fully complete the process of Israel's UPR in a spirit of cooperation, I request a postponement of the adoption of Israel's UPR Report to a later date. I will inform you as soon as possible of our resumption of normal work.

I thank you for your consideration and remain,

Sincerely yours,

Eviatar Manor
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

- c.c.:
- Ms. Navanethem Pillay, High Commissioner for Human Rights
 - Mr. Giuliano Comba, Chief of Section, Secretary of UPR
 - Mr. Eric Tistounet, Chief, Human Rights Council Branch