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Dear Madam

Thank you very much for sending those questioner to us well.

Even work from abroad on the human rights situation in Sri Lanka

This is one of the reasons, we are frequently harassed by the pro-government people in Geneva, within the UN and also via media in Sri Lanka.

We never ever had communicated with the National Human Rights Commission in Sri Lanka for various reasons.

- 1 - National human rights commission has no teeth neither to take action nor to act on its own.
- 2 - To our knowledge National human rights commission in Sri Lanka has only a very few independent officials.
- 3 - Most of those people working in the National human rights commission are government appointees and pro-governmental.
- 4 - So far they never ever came out with ANY PUBLIC report neither on the human rights situation nor any report about the human rights defenders in Sri Lanka.
- 5 - To our knowledge, there were few complaints regarding assault, arrest, harassment on human rights defenders were made to the National Human rights Commission.

But they did nothing on those complaints.

In other words the National human rights commission in Sri Lanka is another mechanism to collect details about human rights defenders (victims), for their future purposes of the Sri Lankan government / security forces.

This is for your kind persual and consideration.

Once again thank you very much for send in us your questioner.