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The Permanent Mission of Brunei Darussalam to the United Nations Office, the World Trade Organization and other International Organizations in Geneva present its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in Geneva and has the honour to refer to the latter’s note dated 9 March 2021 on adequate as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context.

The Permanent Mission of Brunei Darussalam has further the honour to submit herewith the above-mentioned information prepared by the Ministry of Development, Brunei Darussalam.

The Permanent Mission of Brunei Darussalam to the United Nations Office, the World Trade Organization and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva.
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REPORTS ON DISCRIMINATION, SEGREGATION AND THE RIGHT TO ADEQUATE HOUSING

BASIC INFORMATION

1. Name of Organisation: Housing Development Department
   Ministry of Development
   Brunei Darussalam

   Type of Entity: Government

2. Categorisation of Work:

3. City/Town: Bandar Seri Begawan

4. State: Brunei Darussalam

5. Country: Brunei Darussalam

6. Contact e-mail: info@hdd.gov.bn

HOUSING DISCRIMINATION

7. There is no legal discrimination or barriers towards equal enjoyment of the right to adequate housing under the National Housing Scheme.

   The application of the National Housing Scheme is open to all citizens of Brunei Darussalam, aged 18 years and above.

8. There is no discrimination in housing with respect to the various dimensions of the right to adequate housing in terms of: accessibility; habitability; security of tenure; availability of services; materials, facilities and infrastructure; location; and, cultural adequacy under the National Housing Scheme.

   The National Housing Scheme incorporate basic facilities and infrastructures such as water, electricity, roads and other amenities like schools, commercial areas and community centres.

9. There is no current and specific law, policies or practices for applicants that contribute to or exacerbate discrimination in relation to adequate housing under the National Housing Scheme.
SPATIAL AND RESIDENTIAL SEGREGATION

There is no spatial segregation observed under the National Housing Scheme.

MEASURES AND GOOD PRACTICES TO CURB DISCRIMINATION AND REDUCE SEGREGATION

In Brunei Darussalam, there is no discrimination in relation to the right to adequate housing. Hence, there is no law, policies or measures exist at national or local level to prevent or prohibit this discrimination.

DATA ON DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING AND SPATIAL/RESIDENTIAL SEGREGATION

Relevant data and statistics that relates to the number of houses under the National Housing Scheme and houses in Brunei Darussalam, in general, can also be obtained from the Department of Economic Planning and Statistics, Ministry of Finance and Economy, Brunei Darussalam.