

Note No. 475/2018

## Note Verbale

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 71/145 and in response to the letter from the Secretary-General of 29 June 2018 (Reference: LA/COD/4), to state the following:

The German government takes extremely seriously all complaints regarding perceived acts of violence against diplomatic and consular missions and representatives located in Germany.

The German Federal Foreign Office, in collaboration with other relevant German authorities, remains in close contact with the Embassy of Turkey regarding the incident referenced in the report submitted to the Office of the Secretary-General by the Permanent Mission of Turkey. The German Federal Foreign Office will take all necessary steps to ensure the protection and safety of Turkish diplomatic and consular missions and representatives in Germany.

The German government hereby reaffirms that it has treated this incident in accordance with its legal obligations under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations.

To the Office of H.E. Mr. António Guterres Secretary-General of the United Nations Secretariat Building, 38/F New York, NY 10017 The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 14 August 2018

