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Malta

Addendum

**Views on conclusions and/or recommendations, voluntary commitments
and replies presented by the State under review**

Corrigendum

Paragraph 1

After numbers: insert 7,

Recommendation 3

Delete ; and ratify this Optional Protocol

Recommendation 4

After last sentence, insert

The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities was published in Maltese and in an Easy to Read version. Every year, the National Commission Persons with Disability (KNPD) organizes an awareness raising “Disability Week” that includes various activities such as a national conference, Disabled People’s Parliament, adverts, posters etc. KNPD published a manual called “Rights not Charity” providing service providers with guidelines on how they can be accessible to all in various settings; and four reading books for children.

Recommendation 5

For the existing text, substitute

Recommendation 5: At present Malta does not consider that the Convention for the Protection of all persons from Enforced Disappearance should be ratified, particularly in view of the fact that there have been no cases of enforced disappearance. Malta is not in a position to sign the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic Social and Cultural Rights.

Recommendation 6

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