

## Responses to Recommendations

### LUXEMBOURG

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#### Luxembourg's responses to recommendations:

In the Report of the Working Group:	In the Addendum:	During the plenary:	Recommendations pending responses:	Summary:
No response, all pending	All the REC are commented but no clear position given	No additional information provided	None	Accepted: 0 Rejected: 0 No clear position: 18 Pending: 0

#### List of recommendations contained in Section II of the Report of the Working Group A/HRC/10/72:

#### “53. In the course of discussions, it was recommended that Luxembourg:

- 1. Consider ratifying the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (Algeria, Egypt, Mexico), the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Brazil, Argentina), the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture (Brazil, Argentina, United Kingdom); recognize the competence of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (Argentina); ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and establish a national preventive mechanism related to it (Czech Republic); and complete the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography (Egypt);
- 2. Continue consultations with numerous stakeholders in its follow-up to universal periodic review reports (United Kingdom); and cooperate closely with and strengthen the role of the Advisory Commission on Human Rights (Mexico);
- 3. Consider strengthening policies on human rights and mental health, with special attention to the area of child psychiatry (Brazil);
- 4. Further develop its law on migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers in line with the principle of non-refoulement (Brazil); stop the practice of releasing minors at the borders (Mexico); bring the policy on detention of asylum-seekers into compliance with conclusion 7 (e) of the conclusions on international

protection of refugees, which recommends that expulsion measures should not include detention unless for national security reasons or public order (Canada);

- 5. Transmit to the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination its overdue national reports, in order to share its experience in this domain (Italy); adopt the recommendations of that Committee, particularly those calling for officials coming into contact with minority groups to receive human rights training and the recommendation that any organization promoting or inciting discrimination should be declared illegal and prohibited, and the recognition that participation in such organizations is an offence punishable by law (Malaysia); strengthen its efforts to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and implement the recommendations of the Committee in this regard (Egypt); provide improved training for officials regarding human rights, including racial discrimination and xenophobia issues (Canada);

- 6. Consider creating an overall strategy to eliminate violence against women, which would include a preventive component (France); promote the strengthening of the very foundation of the family and its associated values in society through appropriate ways and means (Iran (Islamic Republic of)); ensure that the implementation of the national action plan for gender equality continues to be fully ensured by all sectors of the Government (Portugal);

- 7. Take further steps to improve the rights of women and children; implement the recommendation made by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in 2008 on drafting strategies and programmes to combat prostitution; continue its efforts to combat sexual exploitation of children and continue to take effective measures to protect children from violence, racism and pornography (Russian Federation);

- 8. Intensify its efforts to combat human trafficking (Azerbaijan, Egypt) and sexual exploitation (Egypt) and prevent human trafficking (Mexico); implement all provisions of the protocol aiming to prevent and punish human trafficking, in particular trafficking in women and children (Canada); take appropriate measures to tackle practically the problem of trafficking for sexual exploitation in a comprehensive manner (Iran (Islamic Republic of));

- 9. Adopt in French, as in the case of the two other official languages, terminologies which truly reflect common values related to equality between men, women and children (Canada);

- 10. Include a gender perspective in the review follow-up process in a systematic and continuous manner (Slovenia);

- 11. Ensure that all religious communities are treated without discrimination (Belgium);

- 12. Take the necessary measures to ban the practice of corporal punishment within the family (France);

- 13. Find ways improve the detention conditions of minors, including counselling services (France); intensify efforts to secure detention conditions, including care of children and young people deprived of their liberty, which fully meet international human rights standards (Sweden);

- 14. Adopt provisions regarding alternatives to custody (Slovenia); look into measures to protect the best interests, needs and physical, social and psychological development of babies and children affected by parental detention or imprisonment (Slovenia); in addition to building new prisons and holding centres, consider non-custodial ways of addressing the issue of mothers in detention or imprisonment, during both pre-trial and post-sentence periods, particularly when mothers are foreigners or illegal residents (Ghana);

- 15. Take all necessary steps to accelerate the enforcement of the law regarding the acceptance and integration of foreigners (France); strengthen measures to grant foreign children and children of asylum-seekers equal access to the same standards of services in the field of education (Ghana);

- 16. Effectively address the difficulties experienced by migrants, particularly women migrants (Egypt); revisit relevant policies and practices to create better work conditions for workers and their families (Iran (Islamic Republic of));

- 17. Attain the human rights goals set by the Human Rights Council in its resolution 9/12 (Brazil);
- 18. Continue applying its commitment to allocate 0.7 per cent of its GDP to official development assistance and encourage its partners in the European Union and OECD to replicate this good practice (Cuba).

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