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Amnesty International report criticising Slovak authorities for segregation in education

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As many Romani children start another school year in segregated classes in Slovakia, Amnesty International is launching a report shaming the authorities for their failure to end this discriminatory practice.

The report, *Unfulfilled promises: Failing to end segregation of Roma pupils in Slovakia,* exposes the longstanding discrimination of Roma in the education system.

Amnesty International urges the Slovak government to introduce reforms urgently to end segregation in education. It also calls on the European Commission to take a stronger stance and action against Slovakia, where the government is failing to end widespread and systemic segregation in education.

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