



END FORCED EVICTIONS

Dear Prime Minister Victor Ponta

Housing is a human right which everyone should enjoy without discrimination. It is clearly defined in international law. However, the right to housing it is not fully protected under current Romanian legislation and it affects everybody in the country, not just the poorest and most disadvantaged. Roma are disproportionately affected.

In the past decade, Romani communities have been forcibly evicted and left homeless or relocated to segregated and inadequate locations, next to garbage dumps, sewage works or industrial areas, on the outskirts of cities. Local authorities are not held accountable for these human rights violations due to the gaps in the national legislation.

Now, 25,188 people from 85 countries are urging you to protect the right to adequate housing under national legislation, to stop forced evictions and to provide protection to all people, including Roma.

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