

# CZECH REPUBLIC: INEQUALITY THROUGH INACTION

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### SUMMARY

This submission was prepared for the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the Czech Republic on 23 January 2023. In it, Amnesty International evaluates the implementation of recommendations made to the Czech Republic in its previous UPR, including in relation to Roma rights, children's rights, and women's rights.

It also assesses the national human rights framework regarding hate crimes, sexual violence and evaluates the upholding of international treaties and conventions.

Regarding the human rights situation on the ground, Amnesty International raises specific concerns about excessive use of force and related breaches by police, the provision of adequate support to refugees and discrimination against LGBTI people.

It ends with a set of recommendations to the Czech Republic which, if implemented, would contribute to improving the human rights situation.

## FOLLOW UP TO THE PREVIOUS REVIEW

### Women's rights

1. On 13 August 2021, the Czech Republic passed a law providing for reparations for Roma women,<sup>1</sup> who have been forced or coerced into forced sterilization procedure in the past, as it had accepted to do in the previous review.<sup>2</sup>
2. Although Czech Republic supported six recommendations regarding the ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, they have not yet taken the action necessary to ratify the treaty. Additionally, the Convention has become a target of a lot of misinformation, which the government has failed to address.<sup>3</sup>

### Children's rights

3. In accordance with supported recommendations from the previous review<sup>4</sup>, the Czech Republic has passed a law ending the practice of putting children, under the age of three, whose parents or relatives cannot care for them, into institutional care on 8 October 2021.<sup>5</sup> The practice is set to end by the year 2024.
4. Contrary to supported recommendations from the previous review<sup>6</sup>, the Czech Republic has failed to establish a separate public protector of children's rights and the mandate still belongs to the ombudsperson.
5. Regrettably, at the previous review, the Czech Republic only noted recommendations to prohibit the corporal punishment of children.<sup>7</sup> Corporal punishment of children remains not only legal,<sup>8</sup> but the government does little to combat its use and very little to promote alternatives and non-violent parenting styles.<sup>9</sup> These recommendations remain relevant and should be implemented as soon as possible.

### Roma population

6. Although the 2016 amendment of the Schools Act abolished the system of parallel education for pupils diagnosed with mild mental illness, which has been a key factor in discrimination against the Roma population in education, discrimination and racial segregation persist. A 2017 report<sup>10</sup> concluded that Roma students continue to be more likely to be sent and accepted by schools with already a high percentage of such students, while usually being rejected by other non-Roma majority schools ostensibly due to capacity reasons.<sup>11</sup> Such Roma-majority schools are usually in isolated secluded locations with insufficient funding and lacking in quality of education<sup>12</sup>.

## THE NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS FRAMEWORK

7. There is no National Human Rights Institution in the Czech Republic despite long-standing calls for expanding the capacities and responsibilities of the ombudsperson to meet the requirements of the Paris Principles.<sup>13</sup>
8. The Czech criminal law does not explicitly recognize sexual orientation and gender identity (unlike race, religion, nationality, ethnicity) as a valid basis for hate crimes. In practice, hate crimes based on victim's gender or sexuality are treated as less severe<sup>14</sup> in comparison to offences related to race or religion. The public defender of rights has deemed this as unjust and has recommended in 2019 to amend the law for hate crimes related to gender or sexuality, but no such amendment has yet been passed.<sup>15</sup>
9. Despite supporting a recommendation in the previous review to continue working on closing the gaps that still exist between the rights enjoyed by same-sex couples, compared with couples of opposite sexes,<sup>16</sup> Czech civil law does not allow same sex couples to marry, nor does it allow them to enter a civil union with equal rights. Same sex couples in civil unions are not allowed to adopt children as a couple; they do not receive a pension in case of their spouse's death; nor are they allowed to own shared estate.
10. Restrictions that were put in place because of Covid-19 had different impact on same-sex couples in civil unions and married couples, with married couples having an exception being able to travel across closed borders if

separated, and with civil union ceremonies being forbidden during the harshest lockdown, unlike marriage ceremonies.

11. If a same-sex couple is raising a child together, only one of the parents can be a lawful parent, while the other is considered a stranger by law. This unjustifiably reduces the medical, social and lawful protection of children raised by same-sex couples.<sup>17</sup> Approximately 60-65% of the public supports equal marriage.<sup>18</sup>
12. Sterilization is still required<sup>19</sup> as a necessary step in gender affirmation despite the ruling of the European Court of Human Rights, which found it as a breach of human rights,<sup>20</sup> and despite the decision of European Committee of Social rights, which found it violated the right to health.<sup>21</sup>
13. The legal definition of rape is not consent-based. Rape continues to be defined in the Criminal Code by the use of force, the threat of force or the use of victim's defencelessness, which is not aligned with human rights law and standards. This means that cases in which the victim froze and was unable to defend herself/himself often go unpunished.<sup>22</sup>

## THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION ON THE GROUND

### Discrimination

14. In the previous review, the Czech Republic supported 12 recommendations<sup>23</sup> on the advancement of women's rights, including four on the implementation of the national strategy and plans for equality between men and women.<sup>24</sup> On 8 March 2021, the Government approved a new Strategy for Equality of Men and Women (2021-2030). This document plans specific steps in eight areas – work, health, decision-making, safety, institutions, public awareness, foreign policy, and civil society. It would be an important step towards gender equality if implemented correctly, but the implementation is subject to political will and so far, there has been little effort to address this issue.<sup>25</sup>
15. LGBTI people are still facing prejudice and discrimination, which often results in gender-based violence. According to a report from the public rights defender only one third of Czechs think there is any discrimination towards LGBTI people<sup>26</sup> However, two thirds of LGBTI respondents in the report said there is such discrimination.<sup>27</sup> The report states that one third of LGBTI respondents have experienced discrimination in the last five years, 15% experienced sexual or physical violence, assaults, or threats. According to the report, there is a worryingly low report rate of instances of discrimination, with 91% of respondents with experiences of discrimination saying that they did not report it anywhere.<sup>28</sup>
16. A key problem regarding the status and well-being of LGBTI people is a persistent lack of statistical data describing the situation and the amount of discrimination, instances of harassment and violence. Such data could be key in setting up relevant and effective measures to improve the situation.
17. On 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021, Stanislav Tomáš, a Roma man, was arrested by three policemen using force. The video footage shows a policeman kneeling on Stanislav Tomáš's neck for at least five minutes, even after he had been handcuffed and was no longer resisting. Stanislav Tomáš died shortly afterwards in an ambulance. Human rights organizations and Roma organizations called for a prompt, full and independent investigation of the death.<sup>29</sup> The General Inspection of Security Forces has concluded in the investigation that the policemen had acted legally and according to standard practice. The public protector of citizen's rights (ombudsperson's) office has raised several concerns regarding the police's actions and procedure.<sup>30</sup>

### Rights of refugees and migrants

18. In response to the war in Ukraine, the Czech Republic has been providing assistance to people fleeing the conflict. However, there are serious concerns about racism and the failure to provide all those seeking safety the protection and support they need and have a right to, in particular Roma people.<sup>31</sup> Hundreds of Roma people

fleeing the conflict in Ukraine were stranded at train stations, only receiving limited amount of food, water, and basic supplies.<sup>32</sup>

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION BY THE STATE UNDER REVIEW

Amnesty International calls on the government of the Czech Republic to:

### National human rights framework

19. Ratify, and implement into domestic law, the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (Istanbul convention).
20. Strengthen the position of Ombudsperson to take up the role of National Human Rights Institution according to Paris Principles.

### Children's rights

21. Comply with the recommendations made by the Committee on the Rights of the Child to explicitly prohibit corporal punishment in law, in all forms and settings, and promote positive, non-violent and participatory forms of child-rearing and discipline.<sup>33</sup>

### Roma people

22. Fully implement the Roma Equality, Inclusion and Participation Strategies (Roma integration strategy) 2021-2030, including by ensuring that it is adequately resourced.
23. Ensure that segregation in school is effectively ended through monitoring and redress.

### Women's rights and gender equality

24. Fully implement the Strategy for Equality of Men and Women (2021-2030), including by ensuring that it is adequately resourced.
25. Change the legal definition of rape within the criminal code to be based on a lack of consent, rather than use of force or threat.

### LGBTI rights

26. Extend the right of marriage to same-sex couples by amending the Civil Code, thereby removing the discrimination children brought up by same-sex couples face compared to the children brought up by heterosexual married couples.
27. Amend criminal and anti-discrimination law to reduce criminal offences as well as prejudice and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. Specifically, amend the Czech Criminal Code to the effect that victims of crimes motivated by hate towards LGBTI people receive the same protection as victims of other hate motivated crimes, for example race or religion.
28. Abolish the requirement of sterilization in the process of legal gender recognition due to it being a violation of human rights according to the European Court of Human Rights.

## Rights of refugees and migrants

29. Provide necessary protection to refugees and asylum seekers, preserve their dignity and guarantee their access to legal aid.
30. Facilitate family reunification for refugees and migrants and provide them with social security.

## ANNEX 1

### KEY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTS FOR FURTHER REFERENCE

*Czech Republic: Hard won justice for women survivors of unlawful sterilization*, 22 July 2021,  
[www.amnesty.org/en/latest/news/2021/07/czech-republic-hard-won-justice-for-women-survivors-of-unlawful-sterilization/](http://www.amnesty.org/en/latest/news/2021/07/czech-republic-hard-won-justice-for-women-survivors-of-unlawful-sterilization/)

*Czech Republic: Concerns Over Possible Unlawful Killing by the Police* (Index: EUR 71/4329/2021), 23 June 2021,  
[www.amnesty.org/en/documents/eur71/4329/2021/en/](http://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/eur71/4329/2021/en/)

*Amnesty International Report 2021/22*, 29 March 2022, p.143-144,  
<https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/pol10/4870/2022/en/>

*Amnesty International Report 2020/21*, 7 April 2021, p. 137-138,  
<https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/pol10/3202/2021/en/>

*Europe: Human rights in Europe – review of 2019*, 16 April 2020, p. 22,  
<https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/eur01/2098/2020/en/>

*Amnesty International Report 2017/18*, 22 February 2018, p. 143-144,  
<https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/pol10/6700/2018/en/>

## ANNEX 2

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
<b>Theme: A12 Acceptance of international norms</b>			
115.138 Continue the efforts to prevent and address gender-based violence, and in this context, ratify the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Belgium); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D29 Domestic violence E32 Right to just and favorable conditions of work F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	Not implemented
115.16 Ratify the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (the Istanbul Convention) (Andorra) (Turkey); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.17 Ratify the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence, without delay (Bosnia and Herzegovina); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.18 Accelerate the process of ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (the Istanbul Convention) (Estonia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.19 Accelerate the steps towards ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (the Istanbul Convention) (Georgia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.20 Ratify and begin implementing as soon as possible the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Spain); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - women	Not implemented
<b>Theme: A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI)</b>			
115.144 Continue its efforts to create an ombudsman for children's rights (Bosnia and Herzegovina); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented

115.145 Consider the creation of an ombudsman for children's rights in order to further advance the status of children (Ireland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented
115.146 Continue to promote and protect the rights of the child, also by considering the creation of a national ombudsperson for children (Italy); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented
115.147 Establish a separate ombudsperson particularly dedicated to the rights of children (Norway); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented
115.23 Consider establishing a human rights watchdog at the national level, with a proper mandate and adequate resources, in line with the Paris Principles (Bangladesh); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.24 Establish an A-status national human rights institution based on the Paris Principles (Denmark); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.25 Establish a national human rights institution in line with the Paris Principles (India); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.26 Establish a national human rights institution in accordance with the Paris Principles (Timor-Leste); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.27 Establish a national human rights institution in line with the Paris Principles (Philippines); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.28 Amend the Public Defender of Rights Act to ensure that it is in line with the Paris Principles (Sierra Leone); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.30 Expand the power of the Public Defender of Rights to enable it to comply with the principles of national human rights institutions according to the Paris Principles (Indonesia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented



115.31 Strengthen the status and role of the national human rights institution (Morocco); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.32 Strengthen the mandate of the Ombudsperson and equip it to function in full conformity with the Paris Principles (Nepal); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
<b>Theme: A54 Awareness raising and dissemination</b>			
115.54 Take steps to prevent crimes motivated by racial or religious discrimination through education, awareness-raising and training, and ensure that any hate crimes are effectively and promptly investigated (Canada); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	A54 Awareness raising and dissemination B52 Impunity S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions B32 Racial discrimination <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Partially implemented
<b>Theme: B31 Equality &amp; non-discrimination</b>			
115.43 Continue working on closing the gaps that still exist between the rights enjoyed by same-sex couples, compared with couples of opposite sexes (Israel); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented
115.171 Implement the Roma Integration Strategy for 2015–2020, which was adopted during the Hungarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union (Hungary); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Partially implemented
115.172 Ensure effective implementation of the Roma Integration Strategy for 2015–2020 (Iceland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.176 Continue to take measures to ensure the full implementation of the Roma Integration Strategy 2015–2020 (Portugal); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.179 Allocate sufficient funding and make available adequate human resources for the implementation of the Roma Integration Strategy 2015–2020 and the Inclusive Education Action Plan for 2016–2018 (Slovenia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) A63 Budget and resources (for human rights implementation) <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.174 Intensify efforts on social inclusion and protection of the rights of vulnerable groups, in particular, provide equal access to the Roma community in employment, education, housing and social care (India); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) E51 Right to education - General E31 Right to work E21 Right to an adequate standard of living - general S04 SDG 4 - education	Not implemented

		S08 SDG 8 - economic growth, employment, decent work S11 SDG 11 - cities E24 Right to social security <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	
115.175 Strengthen measures to ensure that the Roma population can fully enjoy their economic, social and cultural rights in a way comparable to the rest of the population (Peru); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality E1 Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.166 Strengthen measures to combat discrimination against Roma and to bridge the gap between Roma and the rest of society in the field of education, employment, housing, health care and social protection (Angola); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality E23 Right to adequate housing E31 Right to work E41 Right to health - General E51 Right to education - General S04 SDG 4 - education S03 SDG 3 - health E24 Right to social security <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.167 Continue practical efforts to bridge gaps between the Roma community and the rest of society, including by implementing legislation and practical measures to eliminate discrimination against Romani individuals, ensuring the police protect Roma communities threatened with violence and discrimination, and ensuring equal access to education, employment, housing, health and social care for all (Australia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality E23 Right to adequate housing E31 Right to work E41 Right to health - General E51 Right to education - General S04 SDG 4 - education S03 SDG 3 - health E24 Right to social security S08 SDG 8 - economic growth, employment, decent work <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.178 Adopt legal and administrative measures to ensure the full integration of Roma people into Czech society and increase efforts to combat discrimination on the grounds of Roma women's rights and Roma children's education (Turkey); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality E51 Right to education - General F12 Discrimination against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
<b>Theme: B32 Racial discrimination</b>			
115.67 Strengthen efforts to eradicate discrimination, hatred, stigmatization on racial grounds and racially-motivated violence, the propagation of prejudice and stereotypes about refugees and asylum seekers through speeches, websites and social networks, the increase of Islamophobia, and ensure that any act of discrimination or violence motivated by the national or ethnic identity of the victim is investigated and punished (Ecuador); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination B31 Equality & non-discrimination B52 Impunity D43 Freedom of opinion and expression B53 Support to victims and witnesses <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - media - refugees & asylum seekers	N/A
115.168 Protect the rights of Roma people and other minorities through legislation, law enforcement and administrative measures, eradicate racial discrimination and xenophobia, and effectively combat racially motivated violence (China); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b>	Not implemented

		- minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	
115.74 Take specific steps to stop the spread of discriminatory statements, prejudice and stereotypes against national minorities, refugees and asylum seekers in the mass media and on social networks (Belarus); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination B31 Equality & non-discrimination S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions G1 Members of minorities G5 Refugees & asylum seekers <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - media - refugees & asylum seekers	N/A
115.73 Establish a national mechanism to ensure reparation for victims of incitement to hatred, acts of racism and Islamophobia (Bahrain); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination B52 Impunity B51 Right to an effective remedy S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.79 Continue fighting racial hatred and racially motivated violence against Roma by effectively and promptly investigating and addressing all crimes against them (Belgium); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination B52 Impunity B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.81 Ensure that the authorities, especially the police, protect communities and groups threatened by violence and discrimination, and that the Roma can fully enjoy their human rights without intimidation or discrimination (Switzerland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination B53 Support to victims and witnesses S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.76 Develop strategies to stop the spread of xenophobic speech in the social and political spheres that include mechanisms to ensure legal and social assistance to victims of racism and hate crimes (Mexico); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions A44 Structure of the national human rights machinery <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - media - public officials	Not implemented
115.58 Enhance efforts to address Islamophobia, racial discrimination and intolerance including towards Roma, religious minorities and immigrants, as well as other related intolerance (Indonesia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion G4 Migrants S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.63 Increase efforts to combat all forms of discrimination, intolerance, racism, xenophobia and Islamophobia, including by taking further legislative measures to create policies to combat discrimination in the media and the political arena (Turkey); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination D43 Freedom of opinion and expression B52 Impunity S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - public officials	Not implemented

115.60 Continue efforts to combat all forms of racial discrimination making it possible for all persons to enjoy economic and social rights (Tunisia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination E1 Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.56 Take further measures to tackle hate crimes and racial discrimination, including by promoting an understanding of cultural diversity in society, assisting minority youth to access the labour market and adopting adequate social housing policies (Thailand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination E23 Right to adequate housing E31 Right to work S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
115.61 Continue to take measures to combat racism, violence and hatred and to fully respect the human rights of migrants and refugees (Portugal); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination G4 Migrants G5 Refugees & asylum seekers S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S10 SDG 10 - inequality <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - refugees & asylum seekers	Not implemented
115.59 Ensure effective follow-up to the activities included in the campaign against racism and hate crimes, which officially ended in May 2017, possibly through the development of a new campaign on the same topic (Israel); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.77 Continue implementing and strengthening, if necessary, measures against all expressions of prejudice and discrimination such as hate speech, extremist movements and violent extremism, paying particular attention to expressions of racism, xenophobia and other hate speech against a particular religion or ethnicity (Nicaragua); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions B31 Equality & non-discrimination <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.69 Take additional measures to prevent all manifestations of hate speech and criminalize incitement to violence and discrimination (Greece); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions D43 Freedom of opinion and expression B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	N/A
115.70 Ensure that government officials take a firm and consistent stance condemning anti-Muslim and anti-migrant hate speech (United States of America); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions D43 Freedom of opinion and expression B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - public officials	Not implemented
115.71 Condemn categorically and unambiguously all forms of hate speech, investigate specific cases, prosecute, as appropriate, those responsible and ensure that victims of hate crimes receive the necessary support, whether legal or psychological (Spain); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions D43 Freedom of opinion and expression B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
<b>Theme: B51 Right to an effective remedy</b>			
115.177 Resolve the question of the commemoration of the memory of the Roma who died during the Second	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy B12 Crimes against humanity	Implemented

World War in the Nazi camp in the village of Lety (Russian Federation); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115		B13 Genocide S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	
<b>Theme: B6 Business &amp; Human Rights</b>			
115.39 Intensify its efforts to oversee Czech companies operating abroad with regard to any negative impact of their activities on the enjoyment of human rights, particularly in conflict areas which includes situations of foreign occupation, where there are heightened risks of human rights abuses (State of Palestine); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	B6 Business & Human Rights <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Not implemented
<b>Theme: D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment</b>			
115.82 Put an end to surgical castration of detained perpetrators of sexual crimes, which is equivalent to degrading treatment under international law (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment B52 Impunity S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons deprived of their liberty	Not implemented
<b>Theme: D29 Domestic violence</b>			
115.137 Increase legislative and practical efforts to reduce violence against women and domestic violence (Australia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	D29 Domestic violence A41 Constitutional and legislative framework F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	Not implemented
115.139 Take measures to effectively prevent and prosecute acts of domestic and sexual violence and assist victims of such violence (Thailand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	D29 Domestic violence A41 Constitutional and legislative framework F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment B51 Right to an effective remedy B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Partially implemented
<b>Theme: E51 Right to education - General</b>			
115.111 Fully implement changes to the education law to comply with European court decisions and European Union infringement proceedings to ensure that Roma children enjoy equal access to education (United States of America); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.115 Ensure that schools and counselling centres receive anti-discrimination training as well as adequate funding and guidance on objective standards and fair processes to support students with special needs (Canada); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S04 SDG 4 - education A63 Budget and resources (for human rights implementation) F4 Persons with disabilities <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - persons with disabilities	N/A

115.112 Continue working for inclusive education, facilitating the enrolment of children with disabilities and children of Roma ethnicity in regular educational centres (Spain); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General F4 Persons with disabilities S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - persons with disabilities	N/A
115.113 Monitor the implementation and impact of reforms to end the segregation of Roma children in the education system, and ensure that discriminatory attitudes and treatment of children by teachers and other staff are properly addressed (Austria); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.114 Monitor the impact of reforms aimed at the inclusion of Romani pupils in mainstream schools, with regard to the continued segregation of Roma children from mainstream education (Belgium); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.118 Take concrete and practical measures to combat discrimination in schooling and continue the process of reintegration of the Roma into the school system (Switzerland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.119 Take all necessary measures to tackle prejudicial attitudes and ensure the integration of Roma children in the Czech educational system, including early childhood education and care, as provided for in the amended Schools Act (Finland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.120 Ensure inclusive quality education, including teacher training on pupils with special needs as well as mentoring and career guidance in order to decrease the amount of Roma students opting out early from the educational system (Finland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - persons with disabilities	N/A
115.123 Continue to focus on and dedicate programmes to inclusive education for all, also with regard to ending segregation of Roma children (Norway); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.124 Put an end to discriminatory practices against Roma children, in particular the infringement of their right to education, segregation and forced placement in schools of children with developmental delays (Russian Federation); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.125 Eradicate persistent discrimination against and segregation of Roma children who are forced to attend	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination	Not implemented

schools for children with mental disabilities (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115		S04 SDG 4 - education <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	
115.117 Ensure full implementation of the Schools Act by submitting a report to the Public Defender of Rights evaluating its impact on ending discrimination and segregation of pupils with mild mental disabilities, including children belonging to the Roma minority (Denmark); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education A45 National Human Rights Institution (NHR) <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons with disabilities	N/A
115.121 Ensure the effective implementation of the Inclusive Education Action Plan for 2016–2018 and monitor the impact of reforms aiming at the inclusion of Romani pupils in mainstream schools (Iceland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	N/A
115.116 Adopt concrete measures to prevent the segregation of Roma children and carry out educational campaigns to change the negative stereotypes against them and their families, within the framework of the national inclusive education policies (Chile); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education A54 Awareness raising and dissemination <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not implemented
115.122 End all forms of segregation in the education system and develop an awareness-raising campaign for educational staff and parents to curb negative societal perceptions about inclusive education (Ireland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	E51 Right to education - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality B31 Equality & non-discrimination S04 SDG 4 - education A54 Awareness raising and dissemination <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented
<b>Theme: F13 Violence against women</b>			
115.107 Abolish the practice of sterilization of persons with disabilities without their free and informed consent (Timor-Leste); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons with disabilities	N/A
115.108 Make progress in establishing complaints and prevention mechanisms for the forced sterilization of women, particularly Roma women and women with disabilities, which include reparation measures for the victims (Mexico); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - persons with disabilities	implemented
115.104 Take effective measures to implement the recommendations of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, including with regard to the practice of sterilization of persons with disabilities without their free and informed consent (Azerbaijan); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions	N/A

		S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment A23 Follow-up to treaty bodies <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons with disabilities	
115.106 Consider reviewing the three-year time limit for bringing compensation claims in cases of coercive or non-consensual sterilizations with a view to extending it (Greece); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment D51 Administration of justice & fair trial <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - women - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - persons with disabilities	N/A
115.140 Continue its efforts in combating sexual abuse, including by ensuring that perpetrators are brought to justice (Timor-Leste); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F13 Violence against women D29 Domestic violence A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment B51 Right to an effective remedy B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - children	Not implemented
<b>Theme: F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</b>			
115.150 Consider the further harmonization of the prohibition of corporal punishment of children with international standards (Croatia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented
115.151 Strengthen national measures to address abuses towards children and end corporal punishment (Indonesia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented
115.152 Undertake practical steps to put an end to corporal punishment of children in all settings (Montenegro); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Not implemented
115.154 Take further legislative and policy measures to discontinue the institutionalization of children under 3 years of age (Bulgaria); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment	Implemented



		S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	
115.155 Continue with efforts to abolish the practice of placement of children under 3 years of age in institutionalized organized care and further strengthen the system of family foster care as the main alternative to institutionalization (Croatia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	implemented
115.156 Continue finding alternative family care for vulnerable children so as to avoid placing them in institutional care (Namibia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	implemented
115.157 End institutionalization of children under the age of 3 (Republic of Moldova); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	implemented
115.158 Strengthen its child protection system by enhancing its efforts to end or limit the institutionalization of children under 3 years of age (Austria); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	implemented
115.159 Take additional social and legal protection measures for vulnerable children who are victims of sexual abuse and for their families (Angola); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	N/A
115.148 Continue to effectively and fully implement the National Strategy to Protect Children's Rights for the term 2012–2018 (Maldives); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	Partially implemented
<b>Theme: G4 Migrants</b>			
115.184 Undertake legislative amendments to ensure migrant women and girls have equal access to nationals to public health-care services (Sierra Leone); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G4 Migrants E41 Right to health - General E42 Access to health-care (general) S03 SDG 3 - health S10 SDG 10 - inequality <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - girls	Not implemented

115.182 Take the necessary measures to promote and protect the human rights of migrants in the country (Republic of Korea); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	- migrants G4 Migrants G5 Refugees & asylum seekers B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants	Not implemented
115.183 Continue to tackle the prejudice, stigmatization and discrimination suffered by some asylum seekers, migrants and refugees (Serbia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G4 Migrants G5 Refugees & asylum seekers B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - refugees & asylum seekers	Not implemented
115.181 Ensure that the rights of migrants and refugees, especially children, are guaranteed (Peru); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G4 Migrants G5 Refugees & asylum seekers B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection <b>Affected persons:</b> - children - migrants - refugees & asylum seekers	Not implemented
<b>Theme: G5 Refugees &amp; asylum seekers</b>			
115.187 Provide necessary protection to asylum seekers, preserve their dignity and guarantee their access to legal aid and facilitate family reunification for migrants and provide them with social security and review asylum procedures to ensure their compliance with the non-refoulement principle (Egypt); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G5 Refugees & asylum seekers D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D21 Right to life D51 Administration of justice & fair trial D8 Rights related to marriage & family E24 Right to social security <b>Affected persons:</b> - refugees & asylum seekers	Partially implemented
115.198 Find a solution to improve the treatment of refugees in transit zones at airports and in migrant camps (Honduras); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G5 Refugees & asylum seekers D26 Conditions of detention S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - refugees & asylum seekers	Not implemented
115.199 Ensure that the conditions of all immigration detention and reception centres are in conformity with international standards (Islamic Republic of Iran); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G5 Refugees & asylum seekers D26 Conditions of detention S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - refugees & asylum seekers	Not implemented
115.200 Ensure that the living conditions in all detention or reception centres for migrants are in accordance with international standards and put an end to the practice of issuing expulsion orders before registering applications for asylum (Côte d'Ivoire); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G5 Refugees & asylum seekers D26 Conditions of detention S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - refugees & asylum seekers	Not implemented
115.185 Ensure that the national practice on providing asylum is in line with international standards on the protection of migrants, refugees, asylum seekers and stateless persons (Belarus); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Supported	G5 Refugees & asylum seekers G4 Migrants D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D21 Right to life S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions G7 Stateless persons <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - refugees & asylum seekers - non-citizens	Partially implemented

<p>115.188 Strengthen the institutional capacities to provide support for asylum seekers and migrants in full respect of their human rights (Mexico); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115</p>	<p>Supported</p>	<p>- stateless persons G5 Refugees &amp; asylum seekers G4 Migrants S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions A44 Structure of the national human rights machinery <b>Affected persons:</b> - migrants - refugees &amp; asylum seekers</p>	<p>Partially implemented</p>
<p>115.189 Create effective legal mechanisms that would make it possible to reduce the time that people spend in temporary camps for refugees (Russian Federation); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115</p>	<p>Supported</p>	<p>G5 Refugees &amp; asylum seekers G4 Migrants S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions A44 Structure of the national human rights machinery D26 Conditions of detention D33 Arbitrary arrest and detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - refugees &amp; asylum seekers</p>	<p>Partially implemented</p>
<p><b>Theme: F13 Violence against women</b></p>			
<p>115.101 Revise its position to provide compensation to Roma women who were victims of forced sterilization to properly recognize and provide just restitution for their suffering (United States of America); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups</p>	<p>Implemented</p>
<p>115.102 Take urgent measures to expedite judicial investigations and the punishment of the perpetrators of forced sterilizations carried out on Roma women, in the context of their efforts to combat stereotypes and prejudices against women (Argentina); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups</p>	<p>Partially implemented</p>
<p>115.103 Improve the situation of the Roma population, particularly as concerns compensation to women subjected to forced sterilization prior to 2004 (France); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - vulnerable persons/groups</p>	<p>Implemented</p>
<p>115.105 Establish an effective mechanism of comprehensive reparation and compensation for victims of forced or non-consensual sterilization, and adequately bring the perpetrators of such practices to court (Ecuador); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - women - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - persons with disabilities</p>	<p>Implemented</p>

115.109 Give access to justice and adequate compensation to women victims of forced sterilization, independently of the date of the sterilization, ethnic origin, nationality or age (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/37/4/Add.1 - Para. 115	Noted	F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy B53 Support to victims and witnesses S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	Implemented
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<sup>1</sup> Zákon o poskytnutí jednorázové peněžní částky osobám sterilizovaným v rozporu s právem a o změně některých souvisejících zákonů, <https://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2021-297>

<sup>2</sup> Report of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review, Czech Republic, 27 December 2017, UN Doc. A/HRC/37/4, and its Addendum, 1 March 2018, UN Doc. A/HRC/37/4/Add.1, recommendations 115.108 (Mexico), 115.106 (Greece)

<sup>3</sup> A/HRC/37/4 and A/HRC/37/4/Add.1, recommendations 115.16-20 (Andorra, Turkey, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Estonia, Georgia, Spain) and 115.138 (Belgium)

<sup>4</sup> A/HRC/37/4 and A/HRC/37/4/Add.1, recommendations 115.154-159 (Bulgaria, Croatia, Namibia, Republic of Moldova, Austria, Angola)

<sup>5</sup> Zákon, kterým se mění zákon č. 359/1999 Sb., o sociálně-právní ochraně dětí, ve znění pozdějších předpisů, a další související zákony <https://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2021-363#cast13>

<sup>6</sup> A/HRC/37/4 and A/HRC/37/4/Add.1, recommendations 115.144-147 (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ireland, Italy, Norway)

<sup>7</sup> A/HRC/37/4 and A/HRC/37/4/Add.1, recommendations 115.149 and 115.153 (Austria, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela)

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