

Recommendations & Pledges

CAPE VERDE

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Cape Verde's responses to recommendations (as of 20.12.2013):

In the Report of the Working Group:	In the Addendum:	During the plenary:	Summary:
The 123 recs were accepted (11 of which were considered in the process of implementation)	No Addendum	No additional information provided	Accepted: 123 Rejected: 0 No clear position: 0 Pending: 0 Total: 123

Paragraph headers are as in the Report of the Working Group, but the nature of responses to recommendations may have subsequently been changed.

List of recommendations contained in Section II of the Report of the Working Group A/HRC/24/5:

115. The recommendations formulated during the interactive dialogue/listed below enjoy the support of Cape Verde:

A - 115.1. Step up efforts to ensure ratification of international instruments relating to human rights to which it is not yet a party (Burkina Faso);

A - 115.2. Ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (CPED) (Brazil);

A - 115.3. Complete the ratification process of the CPED signed in 2007 (France);

A - 115.4. Continue its efforts to ratify the following conventions: CPED and OP-CAT (Argentina);1

A - 115.5. Proceed with the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture (OP-CAT) (Montenegro);

A - 115.6. Ratify the OP-CAT (Togo);

A - 115.7. Ratify the OP-CAT and work towards the establishment of a national preventive mechanism in line with the Optional Protocol (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);

A - 115.8. Complete the common core of its international obligations on human rights with the ratification of CPED, OP-CAT and the Optional Protocol to CRPD (Spain);

A - 115.9. Ratify the Optional Protocol to the ICESCR as soon as possible (Portugal);

A - 115.10. Ratify the Optional Protocol to ICESCR (Spain);

A - 115.11. Ratify the Third Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (Montenegro);

A - 115.12. Ratify the optional protocols to the treaties to which it is a Contracting Party in order to recognize the competence of Treaty Bodies in complaints, inquiry and urgent action procedures (Costa Rica);

A - 115.13. Expedite the ratification of the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees (Ghana);

A - 115.14. Accede to the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, 1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons and 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness (Slovakia);

A - 115.15. Ratify the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and establish national legislation to implement its provisions and obligations (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);

A - 115.16. Harmonize its national law with country's obligations under the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, including acceding to the Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the Court (Slovakia);

A - 115.17. Accede to the Convention of Privileges and Immunities of the ICC and adjust its national legislation with all the obligations emanating from the Rome Statute, including the provisions on the investigation and prosecution of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes (Uruguay);

A - 115.18. Consider acceding to the UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education as a basis for its policy to improve access of girl children to school (Democratic Republic of the Congo);

A - 115.19. Ratify the 1960 Convention against Discrimination in Education (Rwanda);

A - 115.20. Expedite the process of acceding to the UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education (Togo);

A - 115.21. Ratify the 1960 Convention against Discrimination in Education and accede to the African Union Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Congo);

A - 115.22. Accede to international instruments relating to statelessness and to the assistance and protection of displaced persons in Africa (Sierra Leone);

A - 115.23. Complete the process of aligning its national legislation with the provisions of the Rome Statute, and step up the ratification process of OP-CAT and establish a national preventive mechanism against torture (Tunisia);

A - 115.24. Fully align its national legislation with all obligations under the Rome Statute, including by incorporating provisions on full and prompt cooperation with the ICC (Slovenia);

A - 115.25. Pursue efforts to take the necessary measures to ensure the full implementation of the Rome Statute, the CRPD and the Optional Protocol to CEDAW in its national legislation (Luxembourg);

A - 115.26. Take the appropriate steps towards the adoption of a child protection code in conformity with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (Brazil);

A - 115.27. Create a National Commission for Human Rights and Citizenship (CNDHC) in accordance with the Paris Principles (Chad);

A - 115.28. Strengthen the CNDHC (Côte d'Ivoire);

A - 115.29. Strengthen the status of the CNDHC (Niger);

A - 115.30. Finalize the process of appointing the Justice Ombudsman to strengthen action in the field by the CNDHC (Democratic Republic of the Congo);

A - 115.31. Ensure that CNDHC is brought into conformity with the Paris principles (France);

A - 115.32. Strengthen the capacities of the CNDHC and ensure its conformity with the Paris Principles (Gabon);

A - 115.33. Continue efforts to strengthen its new statute of the CNDHC in accordance with the Paris Principles (Malaysia);

A - 115.34. Accelerate the drafting of the new Statute of the CNDHC, in accordance with the Paris Principles (Indonesia);

A - 115.35. Exert efforts to hasten the implementation of the new statute that will ensure the independence and autonomy of the CNDHC in accordance with the Paris Principles (Philippines);

A - 115.36. Give further impetus to the approval by the Parliament of the new statutes of the CNDHC in accordance with the Paris Principles for the national human rights institutions (Portugal);

A - 115.37. Ensure that the CNDHC has the necessary resources to comply with the Paris Principles (Australia);

A - 115.38. Pursue its efforts to support the CNDHC and to bring it in conformity with the Paris Principles (Algeria);

A - 115.39. Accelerate the process of the establishment of a national human rights institution in accordance with the Paris (Tunisia);

A - 115.40. Expedite reforms underway with a view to putting in place the CNDHC (Togo);

A - 115.41. Expedite the approval of the new statute of the CNDHC and distribute it widely (Sierra Leone);

A - 115.42. Encourage the Parliament to speed up consultations underway to ensure the appointment and functioning of an ombudsman (Rwanda);

A - 115.43. Continue its efforts to protect and promote the rights of vulnerable persons (Senegal);

A - 115.44. Strengthen its current and planned measures to ensure respect for the rights of vulnerable groups (Indonesia);

A - 115.45. Continue positive measures and actions on behalf of children's rights (Cuba);

A - 115.46. Continue to implement its efforts to enhance the protection of children and improve their well-being (Singapore);

A - 115.47. Continue strengthen the regulatory framework for the protection of the rights of children (South Africa);

A - 115.48. Continue giving its utmost attention to the advancement of the rights of the child, in particular efforts to prevent and eliminate the worst forms of child labor (Malaysia);

A - 115.49. Continue its efforts to stop child labour by monitoring the implementation of the 2008 Labor Code, especially in rural communities (Netherlands);

A - 115.50. Continue its ongoing efforts to raise birth registration levels through the revision of the Code for Civil Registry in line with the recommendation made by the Committee on the Rights of the Child (Turkey);

A - 115.51. Strengthen its National Strategy for Older Persons based on Government resolution 49/2011 (Djibouti);

A - 115.52. Continue its efforts to seek assistance from the international community for capacity-building and technical assistance in the context of human rights (Botswana);

A - 115.53. Appeal for international cooperation and partnership with a view to continuing to develop concrete actions in the field of promotion and protection of human rights (Burundi);

A - 115.54. Continue its constructive dialogue on human rights issues with its national and international partners (Nigeria);

A - 115.55. Continue cooperative engagement with its regional and international partners to ensure adequate resources for implementing policies and programmes on human rights (Philippines);

A - 115.56. Seek technical assistance to prepare all outstanding reports to treaty bodies (Sierra Leone);

A - 115.57. Strengthen its cooperation with the Treaty Bodies (Algeria);

A - 115.58. Increase efforts vis-à-vis country's reporting obligations under international human rights instruments to which Cape Verde is a party (Slovakia);

A - 115.59. Pursue their ongoing efforts to enhance their cooperation with treaty bodies and other relevant human rights mechanisms and to better fulfil their reporting obligations (Turkey);

A - 115.60. Make, until its next UPR review, substantial progress towards fulfilling its reporting obligations, including by requesting technical assistance if needed (Slovenia);

A - 115.61. Strengthen efforts to work with OHCHR and Regional Offices to fulfil its obligations on international human right treaties, particularly on the elaboration of the common-core document to treaty body reporting (Maldives);

A - 115.62. Increase its cooperation with the treaty bodies through regular reporting on the implementation of international conventions (Montenegro);

A - 115.63. Step up the pace of communication with treaty bodies, further promote women's rights, the right to health, particularly in rural areas, (Niger);

A - 115.64. Issue a standing invitation to the Human Rights Council special procedures mandate holders (Tunisia);

A - 115.65. Adopt the necessary measures to advance in its fight against discrimination, especially discrimination against ethnic minorities and migrants, and suppress the existing patriarchal and gender stereotypes with respect to the functions and responsibilities of men and women in the family and the society (Argentina);

A - 115.66. Continue and improve its policies with a view to the progressive elimination of economic, social, cultural barriers, in particular discrimination factors against women in the family and in society (Togo);

A - 115.67. Continue incorporating new provisions into the legislative framework to reduce disparities between men and women, bearing in mind that half of the population are women (Nicaragua);

A - 115.68. Bolster its policies to promote women's rights (Luxembourg);

A - 115.69. Continue its efforts towards eliminating negative sexist stereotypes that lead to discrimination against women, both in the public and private life (Botswana);

A - 115.70. Continue to strengthen the rights of women, eliminating sexist stereotypes that lead to discrimination against women in public and private life (Rwanda);

A - 115.71. Intensify efforts to eliminate the sexist stereotypes that lead to discrimination against women in public and private life, using the National Gender Equity and Equality Plan (Nigeria);

A - 115.72. Enhance efforts to eliminate existing discriminatory stereotypes regarding the roles and responsibilities of women and men in family as well as in society at large (Germany);

A - 115.73. Renew the national equality plan, bearing in mind recommendations that have been made to the country in this area (Nicaragua);

A - 115.74. Advocate for the revision of labour code provisions to ensure the full application of the principle of "equal pay for equal work" for both men and women (United States of America);

A - 115.75. Step up efforts to prevent sexual violence by awareness raising and education campaigns aimed at a better understanding of the notion of equality between women and men and a greater capacity to establish relationships based on mutual respect (Canada);

A - 115.76. Continue to promote gender equality and combating violence against women (Cuba);

A - 115.77. Continue to strengthen its domestic framework and institutions to protect women against violence and promote gender equality (Singapore);

A - 115.78. That further measures be adopted and resources be allocated to effectively support the implementation of the 2011 Gender-Based Violence Act so as to better address, prevent and punish episodes of discrimination and violence including domestic violence against women (Italy);

A - 115.79. Continue to combat all forms of discrimination in education in particular by adopting specific measures aimed at combating remaining gender-related inequalities (Burundi);

A - 115.80. Continue to take measures to combat all forms of discrimination in the area of education and protect minority groups (Chile);

A - 115.81. Adopt further measures which aim to combat discrimination in education, combat illiteracy and promote gender equality (Egypt);

A - 115.82. Strengthen its measures to combat violence against children (Senegal);

A - 115.83. Consider prohibiting corporal punishment of children in all forms regardless of settings (Thailand);

A - 115.84. Enact legislation that explicitly prohibits corporal punishment of children in the home (Turkey);

A - 115.85. Prohibit and criminalize corporal punishment imposed on children at home and school, and increase efforts to raise awareness about the negative effects of this practice (Mexico);

A - 115.86. Adopt all the practical measures to end corporal punishment in all places and act drastically against all forms of corporal punishments in school, promoting forms of nonviolent

disciplinary measures as alternatives and launch public information campaigns to raise awareness about its harmful effects (Uruguay);

A - 115.87. Redouble its efforts to combat abuse and sexual exploitation of minors, by improving the mechanisms for its early detection , by encouraging complaints of cases of real or suspected abuse in order to ensure a thorough investigation, prosecution of those responsible and adequate rehabilitation of victims (Uruguay);

A - 115.88. Step up efforts to combat human trafficking including consider the possibility of developing a specific law and a national plan of action, as well as extend an invitation to the Special rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children (Belarus);

A - 115.89. Investigate trafficking in person crimes, particularly the prostitution of all children (United States of America);

A - 115.90. Draft, support the passage of, and implement comprehensive antitrafficking legislation in line with the UN Palermo Protocol (United States of America);

A - 115.91. Adopt specific legislation on human trafficking (Mexico);

A - 115.92. Step up efforts to eradicate human trafficking, particularly trafficking of women and children from, to and through its territory by taking necessary measures to adopt the draft law on trafficking of migrants which includes provisions to combat human trafficking (Canada);

A - 115.93. Continue making efforts to combat human trafficking (Nicaragua);

A - 115.94. Train police forces, border control agents, judges, lawyers and other relevant authorities to raise awareness on human trafficking and the rights of the victims, ensure that those responsible for the trafficking are investigated and prosecuted and ensure that the victims receive the adequate protection, reparation and compensation (Uruguay);

A - 115.95. Consider adopting specific legislation to combat trafficking in persons to ensure full protection of women and children who often fall prey to illicit networks (Thailand);

A - 115.96. Intensify efforts to address illegal trafficking in persons and drugs (Sierra Leone);

A - 115.97. Strengthen rule of law and the administration of justice by consolidating concrete measures in the legal reform (Viet Nam);

A - 115.98. In regard to the increase in crime rates ensure the adequate functioning of the judicial system in order to combat all forms of impunity and abuse of authority (Germany);

A - 115.99. Redouble its efforts to ensure that actions of police forces and detention conditions are fully in line with international human rights norms (Luxembourg);

A - 115.100. Take stronger actions to put an end to cases of abuses and ill treatment allegedly committed by police forces and prison guards, especially against juveniles (Italy);

A - 115.101. Ensure that all allegations of police brutality or other abuses perpetrated by law enforcement authorities against minors lead to a prompt and appropriate investigation and that those responsible are brought to justice (Canada);

A - 115.102. Continue to promote economic and social development to raise people's living standard and strengthen its social protection system (China);

A - 115.103. Continue the current efforts to overcome the difficulties in meeting all the MDGs and in guaranteeing harmonious development for the population of Cape Verde (Egypt);

A - 115.104. Invest more in the achievement of the MDGs to increase the quality of life and enjoyment of all human rights, particularly cultural, economic and social rights of all Cape Verdeans (Viet Nam);

A - 115.105. Continue to prioritize the allocation of financial and human resources to the health sector while focusing on preventive measures and treatment (Egypt);

A - 115.106. Continue to take measures for extending the population's access to the health system as well as develop the social protection system (Belarus);

A - 115.107. Continue to take action in favor of free education so as to provide access to pre-school education for children from disadvantaged families (Gabon);

A - 115.108. Strengthen protection of migrants and asylum seekers transiting through Cap Verde (Côte d'Ivoire);

A - 115.109. Establish national legislation to implement the provisions of the Convention on Refugees (Ghana);

A - 115.110. Establish the requisite national asylum legislation and refugee status determination procedure in order to uphold its international obligations more fully in the area of refugee protection (Ghana);

A - 115.111. Ensure the protection of the rights of refugees and combat discrimination to which some of them are victims (France);

A - 115.112. Mainstream climate change in all development activities in view of the situation of Cape Verde (Sierra Leone).

116. The following recommendations enjoy the support of Cape Verde which considers that they are in the process of implementation:

A - 116.1. Adopt the necessary measures to ensure easy and effective access to free birth registration (Mexico);

A - 116.2. Launch awareness-raising programs on gender equality (Sierra Leone);

A - 116.3. Take steps to organize education and awareness campaigns, training programs and educational facilities to change behavior and public attitudes, towards gender equality and mainstreaming, as well as to strengthen women's and children's rights in the country (Maldives);

A - 116.4. Adopt the necessary policy measures to promote gender equality, with a particular attention to combating gender violence through education and awareness raising campaigns as well as through comprehensive legal and psychological support to counter this violence (Spain);

A - 116.5. Adopt comprehensive measures to prevent and eliminate cases of cruel treatment and sexual exploitation of children (Belarus);

A - 116.6. Take concrete steps to combat juvenile delinquency which include the provision of opportunities for training, education and employment (Costa Rica);

A - 116.7. Launch a comprehensive plan to prevent, combat and reintegrate juvenile delinquents with particular attention to the necessary adaptation of relevant laws to the age of the detainees (Spain);

A - 116.8. Take measures that address the root causes of the very worrisome increase in crime rates over the past years (Germany);

A - 116.9. Review the system of administration of justice in order to expedite the delivery of justice (Egypt);

A - 116.10. Ensure effective and systematic separation in prisons of minors from other detainees in order to respect the rights of the child (France);

A - 116.11. Adopt the necessary policies to correct existing deficiencies in access to water and sanitation of the population (Spain).

Endnotes

The recommendation as read during the interactive dialogue: “Continue its efforts to ratify the following conventions: CPED, CRPD and OP-CAT (Argentina)”.

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