

Responses to Recommendations

CAPE VERDE

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Cape Verde'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	No addendum	43 REC accepted; 3 rejected; 2 needing further study.	2 REC	Accepted: 43 Rejected: 3 No clear position: 0 Pending: 2

List of recommendations contained in Section II of the Report of the Working Group A/HRC/10/81:

“63. In the course of the discussion, the following recommendations were made to Cape Verde:

- 1. To incorporate explicit prohibition of physical punishment into national legislation and monitor its implementation strictly, particularly in the case of police dealing with minors (Chile);
- 2. To increase efforts to address cases of sexual violence and exploitation against children, such as prostitution, through the judicial system, as recommended by the Committee on the Rights of the Child (Chile);
- 3. To maximize legislative, administrative and police measures to combat trafficking of women and girls, which particularly affects foreign women (Chile);
- 4. To introduce reforms to the judicial system to expedite the administration of justice, including the creation or increase in number of courts for lesser offences, and to study the possibility of implementing a system of probation for those accused of lesser crimes and who do not pose a threat to society (Chile);
- 5. To adapt national legislation to fulfil its obligations under the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (Chile);
- 6. To ratify the UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education (Algeria);

- 7. To accede to the Convention on the Protection and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the Convention on the Status of Refugees (Algeria);
- 8. To promote the establishment of places to care for and provide assistance to women victims of domestic violence (France);
- 9. To consider how to deal with minor delinquency in order to provide sentences suited to the age of offenders, to educate them and lead to their social reintegration (France);
- 10. To take necessary measures to improve prison conditions (France);
- 11. To consider working with the new OHCHR Regional Office in Dakar to develop a common-core document to simplify and streamline treaty body reporting procedures (Maldives);
- 12. To invite selected human rights special procedures with mandates of particular interest to Cape Verde to visit the country and make recommendations (Maldives);
- 13. To adopt all necessary measures to put an end to the widespread practice of corporal punishment of minors at home, in school and by the police force, as recommended by the Committee on the Rights of the Child in 2003 (Germany);
- 14. To take effective measures to fight the trafficking of foreign women and girls through its territory (Germany);
- 15. To increase efforts to fulfil engagements and obligation stemming from ratified Conventions (Italy);
- 16. To take appropriate measures to combat sexual violence against children and child prostitution effectively, as a matter of priority (Italy);
- 17. To develop a national strategy for human rights education in the school system at all levels, in accordance with the plan of action 2005-2009 of the World Programme for Human Rights Education, including the review and revision of curricula and textbooks, the training of teachers and the practice of human rights in the school community (Italy);
- 18. To improve prisons and detention facilities, also by means of human rights training for law enforcement officials and prison officials (Italy);
- 19. To continue to seriously improve the situation of children (Netherlands);
- 20. To follow up the recommendations of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on discrimination against women (Luxembourg);
- 21. To implement the recommendations of the Committee on the Rights of the Child on street children and their sexual exploitation, child prostitution, violence against children and child labour (Luxembourg);
- 22. To take all necessary measures to reduce the duration of pre-trial detention to conform to international standards (Canada);
- 23. To respect article 5(a) of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women calling for countries to take appropriate measures to change socio-cultural stereotypes and practices (Canada);
- 24. To strengthen the national human rights commission to meet the requirements of the Paris Principles (Mexico);
- 25. To ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Mexico);

- 26. To ratify the Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Mexico);
- 27. To ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture (Mexico);
- 28. To intensify efforts to address cases of sexual violence and exploitation of children (Mexico);
- 29. To establish courts for juveniles in conflict with the law (Mexico);
- 30. To intensify efforts to combat violence against women and to increase their participation in the labour market (Mexico);
- 31. To ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Mexico);
- 32. To complete the ratification process of the Rome Statute as soon as possible and ensure that the Statute and the Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court are effectively implemented in national legislation (Portugal);
- 33. To give priority to the implementation of awareness-raising measures aimed at achieving gender equality in marriage and family relations (Portugal);
- 34. To effectively implement international labour standards with regard to children (Portugal);
- 35. To continue efforts to ensure that the action of police forces and conditions in places of detention meet international human rights standards fully (Sweden);
- 36. To consider appropriate policy measures in order to promote tolerance and non-discrimination for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons (Sweden);
- 37. To take further steps to address discrimination against women and vulnerable groups, including children (United Kingdom);
- 38. To draw up a timetable with OHCHR for addressing the backlog of reports and future work and to continue to collaborate with non-governmental organizations (United Kingdom);
- 39. To strengthen its institutions and ratify key treaties, including the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture (United Kingdom);
- 40. To appeal to the international community to take into account difficulties and challenges faced in promoting human rights and to increase financial and technical assistance for capacity-building (China);
- 41. To extend a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Council (Latvia);
- 42. To establish and provide adequate resources for a sufficient number of safe houses to shelter victims of domestic violence (Slovenia);
- 43. To improve the efficiency of existing mechanisms for compensating victims of domestic violence (Slovenia);
- 44. To continue efforts to fight discrimination against women, aiming to change deep-rooted behaviours and attitudes (Angola);
- 45. To reach the human rights goals set by the Council in its resolution 9/12 (Brazil);
- 46. To consider ratifying the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, the Convention for the Protection of All Persons against Enforced Disappearance, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocols to the Convention against Torture and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Brazil);

- 47. To consider extending a standing invitation to human rights special procedures (Brazil);
- 48. To strengthen its policy to guarantee the rights of the child fully, with special attention to children without parental care (Brazil);
- 49. To consider strengthening programmes to fight and prevent HIV/AIDS, with special attention to women and children (Brazil);
- 50. To call on the international community for assistance in attaining its goals, including the Millennium Development Goals (Nigeria);

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