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## Introduction

1. The Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review, established in accordance with Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, held its twenty-fifth session from 2 to 13 May 2016. The review of Hungary was held at the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting on 4 May 2016. The delegation of Hungary was headed by the Minister of Justice, Mr. László Trócsányi. At its 13<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 10 May 2016, the Working Group adopted the report on Hungary.

2. On 12 January 2016, the Human Rights Council selected the following group of rapporteurs (troika) to facilitate the review of Hungary: Nigeria, Panama and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

3. In accordance with paragraph 15 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1 and paragraph 5 of the annex to Council resolution 16/21, the following documents were issued for the review of Hungary:

(a) A national report submitted/written presentation made in accordance with paragraph 15 (a) (A/HRC/WG.6/25/HUN/1);

(b) A compilation prepared by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in accordance with paragraph 15 (b) (A/HRC/WG.6/25/HUN/2);

(c) A summary prepared by OHCHR in accordance with paragraph 15 (c) (A/HRC/WG.6/25/HUN/3).

4. A list of questions prepared in advance by Afghanistan, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Germany, Liechtenstein, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland was transmitted to Hungary through the troika. These questions are available on the extranet of the UPR.

## I. Summary of the proceedings of the review process

#### A. Presentation by the State under review

5. The Minister of Justice stated that Hungary attached particular importance to the UPR mechanism and was committed to protect and fulfil all its human rights international obligations.

6. The delegation recalled that in conformity with its open invitation Hungary had received six visits of special procedures since its first review, responded to all of their letters had submitted reports on time to three Treaty Bodies, was making every effort to submit its overdue reports, and presented, in May 2014, a mid-term UPR report on the implementation of the recommendations received in 2011.

7. Hungary had also acceded to OPCAT in 2012 and, since January 2015, the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights shall proceed as National Preventive Mechanism called for in the Optional Protocol. Hungary had acceded to or is in the process of ratification of several European human rights instruments and the Government had continued to incorporate its international obligations in its national legislation.

8. The new Fundamental Law came into force in January 2012 which enshrined that human rights are inalienable, interdependent and indivisible. Hungary remained a parliamentary democratic republic. Several cardinal laws, requiring a qualified majority,

had been adopted relating to major human rights issues such as the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights, freedom of information, the Constitutional Court, the legal status and remuneration of judges, the prosecution service, freedom of conscience and religion as well as the legal status of churches.

9. The national human rights institution had been strengthened and unified and it received, in December 2014, the status A from the International Coordinating Committee of National Institutions for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights. Furthermore, the national architecture for the protection of fundamental rights had been perfected with the establishment of the National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information and by the Equal Treatment Authority.

10. One of the outcomes of Hungary's first review was the establishment, in 2012, of an inter-ministerial human rights working group which has an advisory nature. The Human Rights Working Group set up, from the beginning, a round table to facilitate consultations with civil society organizations. For instance, the draft national report prepared by the Government for its second UPR was circulated among the members of the round table for observations, which were, subsequently incorporated into the final version of the report. As a signature engagement the Government of Hungary has organized since 2008 the Budapest Human Rights Forum with the aim to diffuse knowledge and raise awareness about human rights.

11. The Government had embarked in a comprehensive reform of the penal system to conform it to international law. In this context, a new criminal code entered into force in July 2013 based on four principles: efficiency, consistency, simplicity and modernity, supplemented with severity in the case of repeat offenders, and a preventative approach for first offenders.

12. The legislation on penal execution had also been reviewed to, inter alia, integrate several recommendations from the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture. And, following the ruling László Magyar vs Hungary made by the European Court of Human Rights, the Government had authorised the possibility of revision of life imprisonment sentences.

13. The delegation noted that the Ministry of Justice was in the process of amending the Law on Criminal Procedures to incorporate, among other provisions, the protection of the procedural rights of vulnerable groups as well as the effective regulation of covert operations and secret surveillance.

14. With regard to equality and non-discrimination, the delegation stated the new Fundamental Law contained a comprehensive definition of discrimination. And, following CEDAW's concluding observations, the new Penal Code introduced a legal provision criminalizing domestic violence, including psychological violence.

15. The Government had established a policy of zero tolerance against xenophobia and racism. Anti-Semitic and Anti-Roma statements had been officially denounced by the Government and had triggered legislative revisions. For instance, the rules of procedure of the Parliament concerning hate speech had been hardened and the Chair of the Sitting has a wider disciplinary authority, being able to request the exclusion of a politician from a session and impose fines if the MP used expressions against national, ethnic or religious groups or individuals. Moreover an advisory group composed of hate crimes specialists had been established in 2012.

16. The denial of the Holocaust (Jewish and Roma) had also been criminalized in the Penal Code with penalties up to three years of imprisonment.

17. The Minister of Justice acknowledged that, since 2015, Hungary was facing, with other European countries, a migration crisis without precedent. Hungary had done its best

to find a balance between the respect of humanitarian law and the protection of the national public order, a very complex task. It was in this context that the Government had approved several measures to strengthen the protection of borders, and improve the system of asylum, in compliance with international standards.

18. In concluding, the delegation noted that several changes had been introduced in the criminal code to consolidate the protection against smuggling in human beings. The most recent amendments were aimed at curbing the activities of cross-border organizations associated with the migration crisis.

#### B. Interactive dialogue and responses by the State under review

19. During the interactive dialogue, 86 delegations made statements. Recommendations made during the dialogue are to be found in section II of the present report.

20. Lebanon welcomed the adoption of a new Constitution and commended the interest showed by Hungary in protecting rights of ethnic communities.

21. Sweden stated that since 2010 the ruling party has made major changes that have gradually removed checks on the executive branch.

22. Switzerland was concerned at the measures taken by Hungary limiting access to the asylum procedure.

23. Tajikistan noted the adoption of a number of laws as a basis of a national strategy for the protection and upholding of human rights.

24. Thailand noted the widespread privatization of health services and urged the Government to ensure its policy does not affect access to quality healthcare.

25. The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia welcomed the ratification of OPCAT and encouraged authorities to continue efforts to tackle disbanded organizations targeting Roma.

26. Timor-Leste welcomed the establishment of an inter-ministerial Human Rights Working Group responsible for monitoring human rights.

27. Togo appreciated Hungary's full cooperation with Special Procedures mandate holders and welcomed the establishment of a national preventive mechanism.

28. Turkey remained concerned about living and detention conditions of refugees, asylum seekers and migrants and underlined the importance of fighting against human trafficking.

29. Ukraine commended the adoption of the new Constitution and human rights strategies including on social equality of men and women.

30. The United Arab Emirates welcomed measures to protect minorities from hate crimes and to combat incitement to religious hatred.

31. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland encouraged Hungary to ensure that implementation of new measures contribute to greater transparency.

32. The United States of America was deeply concerned that the Hungarian Government had taken steps that eroded checks and balances and centralized executive power.

33. Uruguay welcomed the adoption of the new Constitution in 2012, and steps taken on integrating minorities, although challenges persisted.

34. Albania commended Hungary on the adoption of a specific legal provision in line with the Concluding Observations of the CEDAW governing domestic violence.

35. The Philippines expressed concern about reported violation of human rights of migrants and called for international assistance to Hungary.

36. Argentina noted actions taken to end domestic violence and encouraged Hungary to continue adopting measures for this purpose.

37. Australia welcomed the establishment of the commissioner for Fundamental rights and encouraged Hungary to continue supporting it.

38. Austria expressed concern about allegations of undue government interference with political media coverage and lack of an effective strategy to counter the increase recourse to hate speech in Hungary.

39. Azerbaijan welcomed Hungary's accession to OP-CAT and appreciated the work done by Hungary in implementing social protection programmes for victims of trafficking.

40. Bahrain commended Hungary's intention to criminalize domestic violence but was concerned that there was no similar condemnation of other forms of violence.

41. Bangladesh expressed concern that the current level of ODA remains low in Hungary despite the efforts to increase ODA contribution.

42. Belarus was satisfied by the adoption of a national strategy on human trafficking and the implementation of youth-oriented preventive programmes.

43. Belgium commended Hungary for the measures taken to fight discrimination against women and noted that several reports mention that patriarchal attitudes and stereotypes persist in Hungarian society.

44. Bosnia and Herzegovina welcomed the OP-CAT ratification and expressed concern over constant low representation of women in decision-making processes.

45. On the independence of the constitutional court and the judiciary, the delegation of Hungary stated that new laws were enacted which were reviewed with the representatives of the European Commission. It stated the Constitutional Court had very similar rights to the rights of the German Constitutional Court and that since 2012 in more than 100 cases the Constitutional Court had declared some examined laws unconstitutional and overruled some judicial decisions. This proved that the Constitutional Court was a real genuine controller of the legislative branch and the executive branch in Hungary. The delegation underscored the independence of the Constitutional Court.

46. Regarding the administration of the judiciary a new system was created in which the National Office for the Judiciary and the National Council of Justice are jointly overviewing and supervising the judicial branch that demonstrated the absolute independence of the judicial branch.

47. The delegation highlighted that access to public data was rarely rejected -only if there was a national security issue, otherwise data had to be provided. It stressed that from the point of view of checks and balances concerning the independence of the judiciary and access to public data, Hungary was very transparent.

48. The delegation underscored that in the context of migration there was a joint responsibility of the international community, so a solution should be found where all the parties were partners. According to the Fundamental Law of Hungary, the right of asylum was provided to all asylum seekers. Hungary was the only country that registered over 200,000 people at its borders. The Hungarian public administration system was willing to handle these asylum applications. However, the majority of the asylum seekers actually left the country shortly after applying for asylum. Hungary did not close the border per se, but in order to protect the external borders of the Schengen Zone it established transit zones and

in the transit zones there was the opportunity for anyone who wished, to claim for asylum and enter the Hungarian territory following a positive decision on this claim.

49. The delegation reported that vulnerable groups were always allowed entry. It pointed out that in the transit zones the Hungarian Red Cross and NGOs were also present, having received financial support from the Hungarian government in order to make sure that these refugees would be taken care of. In the transit zones accommodation, medical care and catering were provided. Hungary operated open reception centers. The delegation underscored that for the implementation of asylum detention, there were detention centers, not prisons, and that detention was only applied as a last resort (1.35% of asylum seekers were actually in detention centers in 2015). The delegation mentioned there was room for improvement. It explained that old international legal frameworks were often not easy to comply with; therefore Hungary was a very active party of various debates concerning the future legal framework and regulation on migrants.

50. Botswana noted measures to combat domestic violence and expressed concern about reports of continued discrimination of women belonging to national minorities.

51. Brazil was concerned with reports on denial of asylum applications after the adoption of a new la stipulating a list of safe countries.

52. Bulgaria appreciated the establishment of the office of the Ombudsman and the setup of an inter-ministerial Human Rights Working Group.

53. Canada remained concerned by reports of intimidation and reprisals against human rights defenders.

54. Chad welcomed the adoption of a new Constitution and the establishment of a Working Group on Human Rights.

55. Chile appreciated the efforts made by Hungary in fighting discrimination against Roma and highlighted the National Strategy to promote gender equality.

56. China noted the measures taken by Hungary in protecting minorities and promoting social inclusion.

57. Colombia noted the measures adopted by Hungary to prevent and combat human trafficking and discrimination against women.

58. Croatia commended campaign for children, parents and teachers to promote responsible internet use for children aiming to tackle protection of personal data and prevention of cyber bullying.

59. Cuba welcomed measures towards equality in rights of persons with disabilities and noted problems on racism, intolerance and hate speech in all the political spectrum.

60. The Czech Republic thanked the informative presentation by Hungary.

61. Ecuador was concerned about gender discrimination and mistreatment by security agents against Roma, national minorities and non-citizens, including children.

62. Egypt welcomed inter alia, strengthened guarantees of judicial independence and support for further independence and effectiveness of the National Human Rights Institution.

63. Ethiopia commended the annual Budapest Human Rights Forum and the commitment of the Government in establishing an Inter-ministerial Working Group.

64. Finland was concerned that Hungary is constructing a system in which the majority of refugees will be denied access to the territory of the EU.

65. France welcomed the Hungarian delegation and made recommendations.

66. Georgia commended Hungary for ratifying OP-CAT and for the establishment of a national preventive mechanism.

67. While seeing persisting shortcomings in Hungary, Germany welcomed the ratification of OP-CAT and of the Firearms Protocol.

68. Ghana noted the adoption of a new Constitution providing a comprehensive legislative framework, which demonstrates Hungary's commitment to implement its international obligations.

69. Greece welcomed the progress made by Hungary in the field of human rights since its first review, particularly the ratification of OP-CAT.

70. Guatemala acknowledged the progress made by Hungary in strengthening human rights through national strategies in a number or areas.

71. The Holy See welcomed measures taken to prevent and combat trafficking in persons and commended the endeavours to enhance the social security of families.

72. Honduras welcomed the endorsement of the National Strategy against human trafficking 2013-2016, the law on detention of victims of trafficking and the ratification of OP-CAT.

73. Iceland deeply regretted recent amendments to the Hungarian Criminal Code that make it an offence to enter the country through the border fence. It was also concerned at the persistence of xenophobic attitudes and hate crimes towards Roma.

74. On hate speech Hungary asserted that up until 1989 it had a communist dictatorship where people had no chance to express themselves freely, and at the time of the change of regime a decision was made to have a very wide definition of the freedom of expression. It was almost an absolute right, so there was only a very limited area of limitation. Various legal acts had dealt with this issue, but the Constitutional Court exercised its criticism in connection with the limitation of the freedom of expression. Nevertheless, in 2011 when the new Fundamental Law was adopted, a very important principle was included, which was the principle of the dignity of communities. Consequently, when freedom of expression is exercised it can never harm the dignity of any community, giving the chance to fight against hate speech.

75. The new Civil Code of 2014 entitles any member of a community to enforce his personality rights in the event of a false and malicious statement made in public at large for being part of the Hungarian nation or of a national, ethnic, racial or religious group. The application of the Criminal Code is the ultima ratio, but Racism-motivated hate speech needed to be combatted. The delegation noted that after the adoption of the new Fundamental Law, an act regarding para-military organizations was also adopted, criminalizing anyone who organized other people against a particular community. The delegation considered that civil society could also operate as a sort of alarm system, with the support from the Hungarian government to do so.

76. On the migration issue, the delegation explained that - while taking into account the Geneva Convention - according the Schengen agreement, any irregular migrant could be sanctioned. In this regard the issue of safe third countries should be taken into account, and Hungary considered Serbia as a safe country because the lives of individuals were not at risk there. The delegation expressed it was very difficult to control people coming through green border and that is why transit zones were established where people can enter our territories in a regular way. All the applications and procedures are launched in connection with those who enter Hungarian territories through the transit zones, while medical help and legal assistance is provided.

77. The delegation indicated that efforts against human smugglers were of major importance and therefore criminalization in connection with human smuggling, referring to stories about people dying in trucks. It expressed its intention to cooperate with the UNHCR and to address the situation of children and unaccompanied minors.

78. The delegation of Hungary asserted that religious diversity and religious tolerance had a long tradition in Hungary. There was no prejudice against Islam in Hungary and it had no historical context. In Hungary there are over a thousand Muslim university students with a state grant who enjoy absolute protection and experience the tolerant side of the Hungarian society on a daily basis. The delegation expressed that the third largest Jewish Community of the EU lived in Hungary.

79. Hungary was also very diverse regarding ethnic and national minorities, 13 of which registered, i.e. which had the right of self-governance. In 2011 during its EU presidency Hungary initiated the European Roma Strategy which continued through the Hungarian National Social Inclusion Strategy, which aimed to ensure that in the areas of education, housing, healthcare and other areas the Roma minority is supported in order to be a fully integrated group of Hungarian society. Hungary was dedicated against segregation, the delegation pointed out that in 2014 a medium-term strategy was established to combat segregation and integrate Roma in the mainstream society, including the prevention of early school-leaving and fighting early drop-out.

80. The Government considered family policy, women's policy and the protection of children as one integral issue. Women were enabled to reintegrate in the labor force after giving birth. Although there were no female ministers in the Hungarian Government, there were several female State Secretaries and many women working in senior positions in the governmental and non-governmental sectors.

81. Full protection to the rights of children was provided and the Ombudsman had a very unique set of tools. The institution of the representative on children's rights was created and this office could be contacted directly by children, having the right to intervene in educational institutions and the educational system.

82. Regarding violence against women the delegation recalled the new crisis centers to support victims and considered it a very important task to ratify the Istanbul Convention.

83. India noted with concern that the amendment to the Law on Freedom of Information has undermined the right to information in Hungary.

84. Indonesia appreciated the adoption of a new Constitution on fundamental human rights and the establishment of the Inter-Ministerial Human Rights Working Group.

85. The Islamic Republic of Iran thanked Hungary for the statement delivered on the human rights achievements since the first UPR cycle.

86. Iraq called upon Hungary to continue efforts undertaken to develop care programmes targeting children and elderly and to continue combating racism and hate crimes.

87. Ireland noted with concern the introduction of increasingly restrictive regulations on accreditation and funding of civil society organisations. It was concerned about reports of threats and harassment of human rights defenders in Hungary.

88. Italy welcomed the creation of the Subcommittee on Women's Dignity as an important step in combating violence against women in Hungary.

89. Japan was concerned by reports that media had been subjected to restrictions and political interference under the new Media Act and welcomed revisions to said Act.

90. Kazakhstan welcomed the comprehensive criminal law reform, the ratification of the OP-CAT and the strengthening of the Ombudsperson system.

91. The Lao Peoples' Democratic Republic welcomed efforts to implement the recommendations accepted during the last UPR cycle and commended Hungary for the adoption of the new Constitution.

92. Latvia was alarmed by some of the preliminary observations of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders in Hungary.

93. The State of Palestine welcomed a number of positive results achieved by Hungary in ensuring the rights and equal opportunities for persons with disabilities.

94. Libya noted with deep satisfaction the progress achieved by Hungary since the first UPR cycle.

95. Lithuania commended steps towards combating hate crimes by adopting new legislation that criminalizes violation of dignity of any national, ethnic, racial or religious community.

96. Malaysia noted advances in human rights protection and stated that additional focus could be given in areas such as gender equality, combating racial discrimination and rights of migrants.

97. Maldives appreciated the mid-term report submitted by Hungary and encouraged it to take a human rights based approach in dealing with refugees.

98. Mexico acknowledged the efforts made by Hungary to increase the well-being of persons with disabilities and the recent adoption of a strategy to provide alternatives to the institutionalization of persons with mental disabilities.

99. Mongolia underscored the strengthening by Hungary of the Constitutional Court and Ombudsman system, in connection with the new Constitution.

100. Montenegro noted the concerns of CEDAW regarding women belonging to minorities, who were subject of discrimination and ill-treatment by Hungary's law enforcement official.

101. Morocco commended Hungary for the adoption of a new Constitution, which includes new legislative texts, and for acceding OP-CAT.

102. Namibia noted the establishment of the Subcommittee on Women's Dignity with security of women and combating domestic violence as priority tasks.

103. The delegation stated that Hungary had a very diverse media, in the majority of cases privately owned, and there was an independent media authority in place. In 2010 a new Act on Media was adopted and as a result of negotiations and consultations with the Council of Europe and the European Commission the Act on Media was amended in 2012. In 2015 the Act on Media was reviewed by the European Commission and came to the conclusion that some positive steps had been taken since 2011. Regarding the Media Council, its members are elected and appointed by the parliament and their mandate goes over one parliamentary cycle.

104. Sanctions can be applied for example, if minors are harassed on a media organ, or in the case of hate speech, or if the media is unbalanced. The delegation considered the media act in compliance with international standards but it was open to discussions.

105. On the relationship with the NGOs and civil society, the delegation indicated that civil society played a crucial role in public life and also in the justification of public decisions. Civil society had room for criticizing the government. The delegation underscored that the Government evaluated these critical comments and it encouraged

dialogue, recalling the Human Rights Working Group where various round table discussions had been carried out. The delegation believed that in the legislative procedure NGOs had the chance to deliver their opinions.

106. The International Criminal Court was of major importance because Hungary was one of the countries supporting ICC and ratifying the Rome Statute.

107. In certain areas addressing segregation represented a larger challenge and fine-tune measures were needed and collaboration with Roma organizations and churches in the process was important.

108. According to the new Fundamental Law Hungary had a new principle on persons with disabilities providing protection for their independent living. The delegation recalled the amendment of the civil code which reinforced the rights of persons with disabilities. The CRPD would be implemented with the best possible effort.

109. On the issue of the LGBT community it was important to put this in the context of hate speech as well, so this act against LGBT was criminalized. The delegation considered Hungary was in the middle rate in the acknowledgement of LGBT rights.

110. The Netherlands noted there was room for improvement on prohibiting domestic violence and marital rape, and encouraged Hungary to undertake further action towards free media laws.

111. Nigeria commended Hungary's efforts for Roma and on extreme poverty and expressed concern about alleged disproportionate use of force against migrants and refugees.

112. Norway acknowledged the efforts to combat hate speech and hate crime.

113. Pakistan commended recent legislations and the cooperation with the Council and Treaty Bodies and expressed hope for appropriate response to the migrant and refugee crisis.

114. Peru expressed its appreciation to Hungary for the measures taken to improve the socio-economic conditions of families.

115. Algeria welcomed the organization since 2008 of a Forum on Human Rights in Budapest and invited Hungary to consider ratifying ICRMW.

116. Poland commended Hungary for upholding its standing invitation to the special procedures mandate holders.

117. Slovenia noted the positive impact of the Budapest Human Rights Forum, welcomed steps for the rights of the Slovenian minority and inquired about the implementation of CEDAW recommendations.

118. The Republic of Korea noted the improved human rights infrastructure and protection of vulnerable groups resulting from the follow-up on the review.

119. The Republic of Moldova commended the creation of the Ombudsman and enhancement of child-friendly administration of justice and expressed concern about the lowered age of criminal responsibility.

120. Romania expressed appreciation for Hungary's measures to protect the rights of persons of national minorities.

121. The Russian Federation welcomed the efforts made by Hungary in implementing the Second Action Plan to improve the conditions of people living in extreme poverty 2015-2017.

122. Senegal welcomed the restructuring of the Constitutional Court and the creation of the Republic Mediator in Hungary.

123. Sierra Leone encouraged Hungary to raise the age of criminal responsibility and urged Hungary to maintain a more humane asylum-seeking process.

124. Portugal welcomed the ratification of OP-CAT and the significant steps for gender equality and commended the establishment of the Inter-Ministerial Human Rights Working Group.

125. South Africa expressed concern about continued discrimination against women of ethnic minorities.

126. Spain recognized the adoption of legislation to tackle more effectively gender violence and welcomed Hungary's involvement in the integration of persons with disabilities in the labour market.

127. The delegation of Hungary welcomed recommendations and contributions, underscoring the importance given to cooperate with the UN and the Human Rights Council. It highlighted Hungary's commitment to promote human rights and expressed its will to apply for membership for the Human Rights Council for 2017-2019. It stated Hungary would take home all of the recommendations and contributions and would get back on what it could support. The delegation stated that human rights mechanisms always had room for improvement and Hungary would try to implement pending obligations.

## II. Conclusions and/or recommendations\*

128. The recommendations formulated during the interactive dialogue/listed below will be examined by Hungary which will provide responses in due time, but no later than the thirty-third session of the Human Rights Council in September 2016:

128.1. Widen the scope of international obligations through accession to the remaining international treaties, such as ICRMW and ICPPED and OP-CRC-IC, OP-CESCR (Albania);

128.2. Consider ratifying the ICRMW, ILO Convention 189, and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (Philippines);

128.3. Accept the competence of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, in conformity with Articles 31 and 32 of the ICPPED (France)

128.4. Consider ratifying the International Convention on the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, the Optional Protocol to the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of all Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (Ghana);

128.5. Become party to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, the Conventions on the refugees and stateless persons, the ILO Convention 169 and the Convention to fight discrimination in Education (Honduras);

<sup>\*\*</sup> The conclusions and recommendations have not been edited

128.6. Ratify the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (Italy), (Montenegro), (Netherlands) (Turkey) (Belgium);

128.7. Withdraw its reservation on pertinent articles of the ICERD, ICESCR, ICCPR and the Optional Protocol to the CRC on armed conflict (South Africa);

128.8. Ratify the Istanbul Convention without delay (Bosnia and Herzegovina);

128.9. Sign and ratify ICRMW (Turkey);

128.10. Ratify the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of all Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (Ecuador) (Guatemala) (Uruguay);

128.11. Consider ratifying the ICRMW (Egypt);

128.12. Ratify ICRMW, as previously recommended (Senegal);

128.13. Consider acceding to the UN Convention on Enforced Disappearances (Kazakhstan);

128.14. Accelerate the process of accession to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Mongolia);

128.15. Ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Montenegro) (Sierra Leone) (Uruguay) (France);

128.16. Step up the process of consultations concerning the accession to ICPPED, as previously recommended (Senegal);

128.17. Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communication procedure (Togo) (Portugal) (Uruguay);

128.18. Ratify the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Italy);

128.19. Ratify the OP-ICESCR (Portugal)

128.20. Fully align domestic legislation with the Rome Statute of the ICC through explicit provisions on the duty to cooperate promptly and fully with the Court (Austria);

128.21. Continue further improvement of the protection and promotion of human rights in the country (Azerbaijan);

128.22. Continue to provide protection to the family as the natural and fundamental unit of the society (Egypt);

128.23. Develop and implement a National Action Plan on Human Rights to further ensure systematic and comprehensive approach for the promotion and protection of human rights, with the full engagement of the civil society (Indonesia);

128.24. Ensure that its policies, legislation, regulations and enforcement measures effectively serve to prevent and address the heightened risk of business involvement in abuses in conflict situations, which includes situations of foreign occupation (State of Palestine);

128.25. Step up efforts to establish a mechanism to monitor measures to help address and ameliorate the conditions of women and children (Philippines);

128.26. Assess the compatibility of its policies and laws with its international obligations including all core principles of human rights to which Hungary is a party (Ethiopia);

128.27. Continue the efforts to harmonize national legislation with international standards in the field of human rights (Morocco);

128.28. Continue to promote and protect the fundamental freedoms and human rights of all its citizens (Nigeria);

128.29. Deepen its commitment with the International Criminal Court through adapting its national legislation to the Rome Statute (Peru);

128.30. Consider developing Human Rights Indicators as suggested by the OHCHR as an instrument that allows for a more precise and coherent evaluation of national human rights policies (Portugal);

128.31. Consider increasing the funding of the National Preventive Mechanism, in order to support its work and the detention monitoring activities (Croatia);

128.32. Provide adequate resources and functional independence to the Equal Treatment Authority (India);

128.33. Continue to implement measures to protect the rights of the child (Tajikistan);

128.34. Enhance measures to protect the rights of children, women and other vulnerable groups (Lao People's Democratic Republic);

128.35. Consider establishing independent mechanism for monitoring children's rights and providing necessary financial resources for its functioning (Poland);

128.36. Ensure consultation processes which allow a public debate and interaction with the independent civil society, with sufficient time during the drafting of new laws and public policies (Switzerland);

128.37. Engage in consultation with pro-transparency organisations and other relevant stakeholders prior to developing or implementing new legislation on Freedom of Information (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);

128.38. Refrain from targeting or restricting the activities of civil society organisations based on their political affiliation or their receipt of foreign funding (Australia);

128.39. Adopt measures to comply with provisions of the new Constitution including on combating discrimination and ensuring equal participation in political and public affairs by all citizens (Botswana);

128.40. Improve both formal and informal dialogue and public consultation between the Government and civil society, including on proposed legislation with an impact on human rights (Czech Republic);

128.41. Continue with the efforts aimed at ensuring timely cooperation with treaty bodies, regarding the submission of its over-due national reports (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia);

128.42. Submit overdue reports to CERD, Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and to the Human Rights Committee (Ukraine);

128.43. Intensify efforts aimed at implementing recommendations of treaty bodies and special procedures including CEDAW, CRC, CRPD, Special Rapporteur on Racism and the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (Ukraine);

128.44. Take appropriate measures to progressively reduce the existing backlog of overdue reports to the UN Treaty Bodies (Kazakhstan);

128.45. Submit overdue reports to the Human Rights Committee, CESCR and CAT (Sierra Leone);

128.46. Continue to strengthen measures to promote tolerance and respect for cultural diversity and to counter prejudice, stereotypes, discrimination, racism and Islamophobia (United Arab Emirates);

128.47. Reconsider policies on family, gender equality and nondiscrimination (Bahrain);

128.48. Continue efforts to sensitize the public to combat discrimination on all grounds online to ensure that all rights are respected (Croatia);

128.49. Continue efforts in following up and monitoring any discrimination based on sex, race or any other form (Ethiopia);

128.50. Continue to implement National Social Inclusion Strategy (Pakistan);

128.51. Take all the necessary measures to fully implement the National Social Inclusion Strategy (Slovenia);

128.52. Enact comprehensive legislation that fully guarantees the application of the principle of non-discrimination and to ensure the full enjoyment of all human rights by every member of society (South Africa);

128.53. Intensify activities aimed at overcoming gender stereotypes (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia);

128.54. Take effective measures to address the needs of women belonging to minorities, such as Roma women, in order to eliminate all forms of discrimination against them (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia);

128.55. Provide the national mechanism for the promotion of gender equality of adequate human and financial resources to enable it to effectively fulfil its mandate (Togo);

128.56. Address the discriminatory situation of women belonging to minorities, including Roma women (Bangladesh);

128.57. Take further measures to reduce the inequality between sexes, sensitize the population in this regard and ensure that these measures are effectively implemented (Belgium);

128.58. Continue to take action towards a comprehensive gender equality strategy and introduce effective legislative measures to increase women's participation in political life and decision-making (Bosnia and Herzegovina);

128.59. Redouble its efforts towards combating stereotypical division of gender roles in family and society (India);

128.60. Adopt a comprehensive law on domestic violence (Iran (Islamic Republic of));

128.61. Take further steps to address root causes that affect the rights of women belonging to disadvantaged groups (Latvia);

128.62. Take concrete measures to improve access to decent work for all women, eliminate all discrimination against women at work, and create more socioeconomic opportunities for disenfranchised women (Malaysia);

128.63. Introduce effective legislative measures to increase women's participation in political life and decision-making (Namibia);

128.64. Continue to make efforts to ensure women's participation in political life and in decision-making (Pakistan);

128.65. Establish effective legislative measures, such as quotas, to improve the participation of women in political life and decision-making processes (Algeria);

128.66. Adopt a comprehensive, human rights based gender equality strategy (Slovenia);

128.67. Continue the implementation of Roma integration policies in all social economic cultural political and educational sectors (Lebanon);

128.68. Support the gender integration in all spheres of life (Tajikistan);

128.69. Strengthen its measures to combat racism and discrimination in all its forms against migrants and asylum seekers (Thailand);

128.70. Take all necessary measures to eliminate racial discrimination and segregation of Roma in education (Timor-Leste);

128.71. Implement a comprehensive plan of action envisaged to protect the rights and improve the life conditions of women and children pertaining to ethnic minorities (Uruguay);

128.72. Step up the efforts to combat all forms of discrimination and favour equality of opportunities and treatment, with special care and attention to those who are in a more vulnerable situation, such as persons belonging to the Roma community (Argentina);

128.73. Step up efforts to address discrimination and social exclusion faced by persons belonging to the Roma minority with particular emphasis on integrated schooling and social housing (Austria);

128.74. Establish a comprehensive integration strategy for migrants, with specific measures to prevent and eliminate racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and intolerance against migrants irrespective of their status (Bangladesh);

128.75. Continue to pay special attention to issues related to the elimination of discrimination of the Roma who study in the education system (Belarus);

128.76. Take measures to eliminate any discrimination and segregation in the education system against Roma children (Belgium);

128.77. Take effective measures to ensure the Hungarian National Police and the hate-crimes expert net improve the enforcement of laws against hate crimes, including by allocating sufficient resources; undertaking thorough investigations and prosecution; and by providing training for the front-line law enforcement (Canada);

128.78. Protect persons who are marginalized and most vulnerable from intolerance, xenophobia, and other forms of discrimination (Canada);

128.79. Lift the measures in force that imply the discrimination and rejection of migrants and refugees, in particular those concerning to the use of force against them (Cuba);

128.80. Continue to take specific measures to prevent and eliminate racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and intolerance against migrants, refugees and asylum seekers (Egypt);

128.81. Take resolute measures to put an end, without further delay, to the continuing segregation of Roma children at school (Finland);

128.82. Take active measures to prevent actual segregation of Roma students in public and private schools (Germany);

128.83. Redouble efforts to prevent and eliminate racial discrimination, xenophobia and the intolerance against migrants, refugees and asylum seekers (Guatemala);

128.84. Undertake further steps to promote efforts to overcome residual social discrimination against Roma and other ethnic minorities (Holy See);

128.85. Take effective steps to end discrimination against Roma in education, health, employment, housing and access to services with a special focus on ending continued segregation of Roma children at schools (India);

128.86. Strengthen its efforts to promote tolerance and cultural understanding of the Roma population in the aim of eliminating discrimination including in regard to access to education and employment and participation in politics (Japan);

128.87. Step up efforts to effectively prevent and combat discrimination of persons belonging to national minorities, in particular regarding their access to education and health care (Kazakhstan);

128.88. Take further steps to eliminate discrimination against the Roma population, especially in the field of education, health, employment, housing and access to services (Namibia);

128.89. Intensify efforts to combat discrimination and ill-treatment of Roma and eliminate segregation of Roma girls in the educational system (Nigeria);

128.90. Take measures to prevent and eliminate racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and others (Nigeria);

128.91. Continue the work to further social and economic integration of the Roma population, reduce direct and indirect school segregation of Roma children and actively promote Roma participation in society through education (Norway);

128.92. Continue its efforts to integrate the adult Roma population in the labour market and the Roma children and young people in the regular education system (Peru);

128.93. Ensure that, in the context of the new legislation adopted in 2011, following the UPR 2011 recommendations, the self-governments truly

represents the persons of national minorities on whose behalf they act (Romania);

128.94. Include specific components in public policies and budgets to address the needs of persons belonging to minorities, including Roma women and children (South Africa);

128.95. Adopt more policies and allocate more resources specifically directed towards Roma women and children (Spain);

128.96. Continue the efforts to combat hate speech, racism, xenophobia and all forms of discrimination against refugees and migrants (Lebanon);

128.97. Carry out the work to eliminate expressions of hatred, racial and religious discrimination (Tajikistan);

128.98. Intensify national efforts to prevent and eliminate all manifestations of anti-Semitism and take resolute measures to condemn hate speech, including against Roma (Albania);

128.99. Take action against the worrying increase and public use of hate speech, most often addressed at migrants, asylum seekers but also civil society organizations and vulnerable groups (Austria);

128.100. Intensify its efforts to combat xenophobia, islamophobia and refugee hatred, and take the necessary measures to condemn hate speech (Bahrain);

128.101. Take resolute measures to condemn hate speech, racial discrimination, xenophobia and intolerance against all minority groups, migrants and asylum seekers (Bulgaria);

128.102. Apply effectively policies against racism and hate speech (China);

128.103. Implement effectively its legislation and policies against hate speech and hate crimes with particular focus on the human rights protection of Roma, Jews, LGBTIs and other vulnerable groups (Czech Republic);

128.104. Ensure that the constitutional amendment prohibiting speech that would violate the dignity of the Hungarian nation cannot be used to silence criticism and limit freedom of expression as guaranteed under the ICCPR (Czech Republic);

128.105. Take all the necessary measures to combat violence linked to racial discrimination, as well as hate crimes and speeches, including against refugees and migrants (France);

128.106. Cease anti-immigration campaigns and rhetoric of incitement to hatred, xenophobia and anti-Semitism and take measures to fight against hate speech and hate crimes in general (Greece);

128.107. Adopt a hate crime investigation protocol and ensure that victims of hate crimes have effective access to the mechanisms of justice and redress (Iran (Islamic Republic of));

128.108. Identify efforts to combat all forms of discrimination and to ensure that hate crimes motivated by racism, xenophobia or other forms of discrimination are effectively investigated and perpetrators are brought to justice (Italy);

128.109. Further step up efforts to publicly condemn hate speech, including against Roma (Lithuania);

128.110. Enhance inter-ethnic, inter-religious, and inter-cultural understanding within the society, and ensure access to justice for victims of racial hatred or violence (Malaysia);

128.111. Further strengthen measures to combat hate speech and hate crime (Norway);

128.112. Strengthen measures to avoid hate speeches of all kinds in political messages and in the media (Peru);

128.113. Combat hate speech and statements stigmatizing refugees and asylum seekers (Algeria);

128.114. Prevent and combat racism and hate speech, including through human rights education and training, and by promoting tolerance (Slovenia);

128.115. Enhance its efforts to prevent and root out all kind of national and ethnic intolerance, as well as condemn any incitement to ethnic and religious hatred and hate speech against the Roma in particular (Russian Federation);

128.116. Implement strategies aimed at tackling hate speech and xenophobia in all its forms (Sierra Leone);

128.117. Continue to fight anti-Semitism, and to oppose any attempt to relativize or rehabilitate anti-Semite policies in past and present (Germany);

128.118. Adopt and implement a comprehensive strategy and action plan to tackle discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (Australia);

128.119. Adopt a strategy and a comprehensive plan of action to counter discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (Chile);

128.120. Take comprehensive measures to counter discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity (Colombia);

128.121. Fight against discrimination based on the origin, gender and sexual orientation, by continuing its efforts in the implementation of the existing instruments (France);

128.122. Adopt a comprehensive strategy in order to combat discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (Greece);

128.123. Raise the legal age of marriage for women and men to 18 years (Maldives);

128.124. Follow the recommendations of the 2014 OSCE election observation missions's final report (United States of America);

128.125. Reinstate juvenile courts and raise the age of criminal responsibility to 14 years, for all crimes, in line with international standards (Botswana);

128.126. Amend the legislation on the protection of families in order to widen the definition of family (Brazil);

128.127. Intensify efforts to prevent overcrowding in prisons (Chile);

128.128. Take measures to address the persistence of preventive detention in police centres and the high risk of ill-treatment (Cuba);

128.129. Reduce the length of the initial pre-trial detention phase (Turkey);

128.130. Consider adopting a law on domestic violence and criminalizing different types of violence against women (Turkey);

128.131. Take additional measures to effectively combat violence against women and promote the participation of women in political life and their insertion in the professional life (France);

128.132. Continue efforts, including by raising awareness, in order to prevent domestic violence and violence against women (Georgia);

128.133. Promote public policies to prevent violence against women and girls, including domestic violence and sexual violence (Mexico);

128.134. Strengthen efforts to combat violence against women, inter alia, by ratifying the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Poland);

128.135. Establish a law to criminalise all forms of violence against women (Sierra Leone);

128.136. Adopt a National Action Plan on Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security (Portugal);

128.137. Define rape criminally based on the lack of voluntary consent in addition to reinforcing and making more accessible to victims the health care services (Spain);

128.138. Criminalize different types of violence against women, to amend the Criminal Code to ensure that rape is defined according to the CEDAW recommendations (Lithuania);

128.139. Take concrete measures to protect child victims of sexual exploitation and prostitution (Maldives);

128.140. Abandon the practice of corporal punishment of children and encourage non-violent forms of discipline (Poland);

128.141. Consider raising the age of criminal responsibility from 12 to 14 years, even for the most serious crimes (Republic of Korea);

128.142. Enact laws and legislation aiming at combating human trafficking (Lebanon);

128.143. Ensure the prosecution and punishment of perpetrators of human trafficking, and provide adequate assistance and protection services to victims (Turkey);

128.144. Continue its efforts in order to strengthen the protection of victims of trafficking (Azerbaijan);

128.145. Take steps to reduce and prevent trafficking and provide adequate incentives and protection to victims (Bulgaria);

128.146. Take additional measures to combat trafficking in human beings (France);

128.147. Intensify efforts to effectively prevent trafficking in women and girls and strengthen measures for the rehabilitation and social integration of victims of trafficking (Georgia);

128.148. Take measures to ensure the effective investigation and prosecution of human trafficking cases and establish remedy procedures for the victims (Greece);

128.149. Strengthen mechanisms to prevent the trafficking in boys and girls and provide the support needed for victims of trafficking to be reintegrated into society (Mexico);

128.150. Take concrete measures to ensure the independence of the Constitutional Court and the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and that political pressure is not being applied to judicial decision-making (Sweden);

128.151. Implement reforms on judicial independence and rule of law recommended by the International Bar Association Human Rights Institute in 2015 (United States of America);

128.152. Continue to pursue implementation of the UN Basic Principles on the Independence of the Judiciary and repeal all provisions of national law that restrict the Constitutional Court's jurisdiction (Australia);

128.153. Take necessary measures for strengthening its specialized juvenile justice system in compliance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (Republic of Moldova);

128.154. Continue efforts for the reintegration of former child offenders in the society (Republic of Moldova);

128.155. Remedy the shortcomings in the media law as expressed by the Venice Commission (Sweden);

128.156. Revise transparency laws to reinstate a freedom of information parliamentary ombudsman, and ex ante reclaiming of labor costs for processing information requests, and limit public institutions'authority to refuse access to public data (United States of America);

128.157. Take concrete steps to promote pluralism of the media and their independent work, including the exercise of their watchdog function (Czech Republic);

128.158. Take the necessary measures to promote media pluralism and fight threats against freedom of the press and freedom of expression (France);

128.159. Take appropriate measures to further relax restrictions on the freedom of the media (Japan);

128.160. Amend the media law in line with previous recommendations to ensure that all media laws are in line with the right to freedom of opinion and expression (Netherlands);

128.161. Give full consideration to the recommendations of the UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);

128.162. Take measures allowing the exercise of the lawful activities of human rights defenders, in a favourable legal and administrative environment (Colombia);

128.163. Implement recommendations made by UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and Association regarding governmental oversight and regulations of NGOs (Germany); 128.164. Review and abolish all legal provisions that restrict the rights of human rights defenders promoting the rights of the Roma community (Iceland);

128.165. Ensure the prompt and independent investigation of all alleged violations against human rights defenders (Ireland);

128.166. Positively consider and implement the recommendations presented by the special rapporteur on human rights defenders (Libya);

128.167. Remove all administrative and legislative provisions that restrict the rights the Human Rights Defenders and ensure that civil society organizations can operate freely and without discrimination or undue restriction (Norway);

128.168. Take steps to ensure that civil society organizations freely can access and utilize funding, including from foreign sources (Norway);

128.169. Maintain its commitment to the realization of the right to work for all including through technical and vocational training for young people (Egypt);

128.170. Provide greater support for poor families and children and reduce social inequality (China);

128.171. Take further steps to ensure better labour market access and access to basic social and health services for marginalized women, including women with disabilities, Roma women and migrant women (Republic of Korea);

128.172. Continue to enhance access to sexual and reproductive health services for women, in particular women with disabilities, women with low income, women with HIV/AIDS, and women living in the rural areas (Thailand);

128.173. Effectively implement ongoing national policy to guarantee quality education for minority (Lao People's Democratic Republic);

128.174. Ensure that the standards of education in national minorities' languages as well as teaching of minorities languages are the same as the general standards of education in the country (Romania);

128.175. Ensure that the implementation of objectives set up in the 2014 National Strategy on Public Education are in line with the objectives and goals of the SDG's (United Arab Emirates);

128.176. Ensure the inclusion of human rights and especially children's rights in the public education system, raising awareness about human rights in general (Greece);

128.177. Strengthen efforts to provide access to education, labour market and public life for persons with disabilities (Holy See);

128.178. Continue the path regarding positive results achieved in ensuring the rights and equal opportunities of persons with disabilities by, inter alia, allocating sufficient resources for the development of an inclusive education system for children with disabilities and providing sufficient and adequate support services in local communities to enable persons with disabilities to live independently (State of Palestine);

128.179. Review all relevant legislations, including the State's new Fundamental Law to ensure that all persons with disabilities have a right to vote, and that they can participate in political and public life on an equal basis with others (Lithuania);

128.180. Review legislations to ensure that all persons with disabilities have a right to vote, and that they can participate in political and public life (Maldives);

128.181. Consolidate programmes to ensure a system of inclusive education for children with disabilities throughout the country (Mexico);

128.182. Take further measures to improve access of persons with disabilities to social, economic and cultural life and combat discrimination on the grounds of disability (Poland);

128.183. Adopt measures in order for any health decision to depend upon the free and informed consent of the concerned disabled person (Spain);

128.184. Take all steps necessary to ensure that the right to seek asylum is guaranteed for asylum seekers coming to Hungary and that the principle of non-refoulement is respected (Sweden);

128.185. Decriminalize the access to its territory for persons wishing to file a request for asylum, and process the asylum applications individually and in a non-discriminatory fashion, in compliance with its international obligations (Switzerland);

128.186. Ensure that migrant and asylum-seeking women receive adequate assistance (Timor-Leste);

128.187. Eliminate detention in penitentiary establishments of asylum seekers and refugees (Uruguay);

128.188. Advance in measures of assistance and promotion of the rights of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, in compliance with current international standards (Argentina);

128.189. Reform its legislation to ensure full respect of the principle of non-refoulement (Brazil);

128.190. Ensure that its legal framework and actions concerning asylum seekers, refugees, and migrants comply with Hungary's international human rights obligations, including with regard to procedural safeguards. This includes repealing those amendments to Hungary's Asylum Law, Law on Criminal Procedure and Criminal Code that are inconsistent with its international human rights obligations (Canada);

128.191. Seek alternatives to detaining asylum seekers and migrants, particularly children. Take immediate and effective measures to ensure that conditions of detention are fully consistent with UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (Canada);

128.192. Develop actions that improve the living conditions of asylum seekers and prevent discrimination on the grounds of nationality or country of origin (Chile);

128.193. Continue to improve the living conditions of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers (China);

128.194. Ensure the inclusion of a human rights approach in the measures to address the migrant situation, taking into particular account the situation of vulnerable population (Colombia);

128.195. Apply a dignified and human treatment that respects the universal principles of human rights for people in situation of human mobility, whether

migrants or refugees, with special emphasis on strengthening and implementing policies to address trafficking of persons from a holistic approach, particularly regarding women, children and other vulnerable groups, as well as to combat all forms of discrimination, with measures including complaint an denunciation mechanisms for victims that enable them to achieve reparations. (Ecuador);

128.196. Ensure that all issues related to migration, asylum seeking and border management are addressed in accordance with respective obligations under applicable international law (Egypt);

128.197. Fully respect its obligations under international law by guaranteeing the right to seek asylum through an individual, effective process without discrimination (Finland);

128.198. Improve the capacity to guarantee every person the possibility to request international protection in a legal way, and create conditions for the medical and psychological treatment of asylum seekers, especially those who were victims of torture and violence (Germany);

128.199. Fully implement international Conventions and standards for the protection of refugees and asylum seekers (Greece);

128.200. Actively participate in the refugee resettlement / humanitarian admission process directly from Turkey to the EU, as this is actually the only way to save lives and crack down criminal networks of smugglers (Greece);

128.201. Take immediate action to improve national asylum system, including by elaborating a national action plan, to avoid continuation of harsh conditions of detention and treatment of asylum seekers and refugees (Greece);

128.202. Ensure the prompt and impartial investigation of any excessive use of force in policing the border operations, including by the military (Greece);

128.203. Work together with the other European States to improve the conditions and treatment given to asylum seekers and refugees (Guatemala);

128.204. Make every effort to pay due attention to the human rights of asylum seekers and to avoid using disproportionate force on migrants and refugees (Holy See);

128.205. Redouble efforts in order to guarantee the respect of the human rights of migrants, including persons under irregular situation (Honduras);

128.206. Implement with no exception the principle of non-refoulement in the context of asylum seeking procedures (Honduras);

128.207. Repeal the amendments to the Criminal Code that criminalizes "illegal entry" and introduces "transit zones" at the border and a list of "safe countries" (Iceland);

128.208. Comply with the principle of non-refoulement (Iceland);

128.209. Take measures to work towards improving the living conditions for refugees and asylum seekers (India);

128.210. Strengthen efforts in addressing issues of irregular migrants in the country in line with international human rights law obligations (Indonesia);

128.211. Improve the living conditions of asylum seekers and step up efforts directed towards improving the treatment of asylum seekers and refugees (Iran (Islamic Republic of));

128.212. Take all the necessary steps to address the placing of asylum-seeking and migrant children in detention, including by repealing relevant legislation allowing for the detention of families accompanied by children (Ireland);

128.213. Review legislation on the rights of migrants and asylum seekers in accordance with Hungary's obligations under international and European Law and to better apply existing internal rules, namely those related to the handling of unaccompanied children (Italy);

128.214. Make efforts to ensure transparency and consideration for human rights, in particular those of women and children, in its treatment of migrants and refugees (Japan);

128.215. Ensure that enforcement authorities comply with international human rights obligations in the treatment of migrants and asylum seekers, and expedite the judicial process to avoid prolonged detention of migrants and asylum seekers (Malaysia);

128.216. Continue the efforts to improve the treatment of migrants and asylum seekers (Morocco);

128.217. Take steps to ensure that detention of asylum-seekers is used only in exceptional cases, the procedure for detention is transparent and comprehensible, and that detainees have access to effective legal remedy (Norway);

128.218. Continue to fulfil its international human rights obligations regarding asylum seekers, refugees and migrants (Pakistan);

128.219. Strengthen its efforts to improve the detention conditions of migrants and asylum seekers, including by refraining from excessive use of force, illtreatment, and prolongation of detention periods; and also to adopt a comprehensive integration strategy for their early stage integration (Republic of Korea);

128.220. Revise the national list of safe countries in order to avoid the high number of unadmitted requests that have been pointed out by the Helsinki Committee of Hungary (Spain);

128.221. Increase level of ODA (Bangladesh).

129. All conclusions and/or recommendations contained in the present report reflect the position of the submitting State(s) and/or the State under review. They should not be construed as endorsed by the Working Group as a whole.

## Annex

#### **Composition of the delegation**

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