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by States parties under article 9 of the Convention**

List of themes in relation to the combined twenty-third and twenty-fourth periodic reports of Greece

Note by the Country Rapporteur

1. The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination decided at its seventy-sixth session¹ that the Country Rapporteur would send to the State party concerned a short list of themes with a view to guiding and focusing the dialogue between the State party's delegation and the Committee during the consideration of the State party's report. The present document contains a list of such themes. It is not an exhaustive list; other issues may also be raised in the course of the dialogue. No written replies are required.

Statistics

2. Statistics on the demographic composition of the population based on self-identification, disaggregated by ethnic origin, and on migrants, refugees, asylum-seekers and stateless persons. Economic and social indicators on various groups living in the State party's territory, disaggregated by national or ethnic origin, gender and age, particularly in respect of minority groups.²

The Convention in domestic law and the institutional and policy framework for its implementation (arts. 1, 2, 4 and 6)

3. Information on the results achieved and assessment of the implementation of the national action plan against racism and intolerance (2020–2023) and on measures to develop a new comprehensive national plan to combat racism, racial discrimination and intolerance. Information on the activities of the National Council against Racism and Intolerance and resources allocated to carry out its activities.³

4. Information on the measures to ensure that the national legislative framework on racist hate speech, incitement to racial hatred and racist hate crimes are in full compliance with the requirements of article 4 of the Convention. Updated statistics and detailed information on complaints registered before the courts or any other national institution, including the National Commission for Human Rights, for acts of racial discrimination, racist hate speech and racist hate crimes, including over the Internet and through media outlets, and on the number of investigations, prosecutions and convictions of perpetrators, if any.⁴ Information

¹ A/65/18, para. 85.

² CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22, para. 9.

³ CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 55–59.

⁴ CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22, paras. 13, 15 and 17; and CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 11–54.



concerning the application of article 82A of the Criminal Code in cases involving racist or xenophobic motivation or hate crime as aggravating circumstances.

5. Information on measures taken to combat racist hate speech, including in political discourse, in the media and over the Internet, particularly in relation to Law 4779/2021 and the Code of Ethics for Members of the Greek Parliament.⁵

6. Information on measures taken to ensure that police and other law enforcement officers do not engage in racial discrimination, including racially motivated violence and practices that amount to racial profiling. Updated statistics on complaints registered before the courts or any other national institution, including the National Commission for Human Rights, for acts of racial discrimination, racially motivated violence and racial profiling by law enforcement, and on the number of investigations, prosecutions and convictions of perpetrators, if any.⁶

Situation of ethnic minority groups (arts. 2, 5 and 6)

7. Information on the results achieved and assessment of the implementation of the National Strategy for the Social Inclusion of Roma (2012–2020) and its action plan and on the National Strategy for Roma Social Inclusion (2021–2030), including resources allocated to ensure its effective implementation.⁷ Information on measures to establish effective instruments of consultation and dialogue with the ethnic minorities, particularly Roma communities, to ensure that their views and concerns are taken into consideration in the design and implementation of measures targeting them.

8. Measures taken to combat stereotypes and structural discrimination against ethnic minorities, particularly the Roma and people of African descent, and to guarantee their full and equal enjoyment of economic, social and cultural rights, particularly access to education.⁸

9. Measures taken to ensure that Roma communities have access to adequate housing and to improve their living conditions.

Situation of migrants, asylum-seekers, refugees and stateless persons (arts. 2 and 5)

10. Updated information on the legislative and policy frameworks on asylum-seekers and refugees and on measures to ensure access to education, employment and healthcare services without discrimination to all persons under the State party's jurisdiction.⁹ Measures to combat acts of racial discrimination targeting migrants, refugees, asylum-seekers and stateless persons.

11. Information on measures to provide access to its territory for persons in need of international protection, to respect the principle of non-refoulement and to conduct investigations into allegations of collective expulsions, pushbacks and the excessive use of force and violence by law enforcement officials against migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers.¹⁰

12. Information on measures taken or envisaged: (a) to end the de facto detention of migrants, to introduce alternatives to detention and to convert the reception and identification centres on the Greek islands into open centres; and (b) to improve the living conditions in reception and identification centres and ensure that everyone in those centres has access to medical care, interpreters, adequate food and social support.¹¹

13. Measures taken to combat exploitation and abuse of migrant workers by their employers and to facilitate their access to effective remedies. Information on the coverage of

⁵ CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22, para. 17; and CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 37 and 64.

⁶ CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22, para. 21; and CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 222 and 229.

⁷ CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 71–74.

⁸ CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22, para. 21; and CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 71–74 and 148–176.

⁹ CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 75–86 and 245–247.

¹⁰ CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22, para. 23; and CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 87–101 and 116–128.

¹¹ CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22, para. 23; and CERD/C/GRC/23-24, paras. 87–147.

labour inspections and statistics on inspection visits, detected violations, sanctions or penalties imposed and compensation provided to victims.¹²

14. Updated and detailed information on specific measures taken to prevent and combat trafficking in persons, including on their impact, and on trafficking cases reported and prosecuted and convictions secured.¹³

15. Measures to prevent and protect persons from statelessness, including updated statistics on stateless persons and those at risk of statelessness.

Human rights education to combat prejudice and intolerance (art. 7)

16. Information on the measures to promote human rights education, including on ways to combat racial discrimination, in school curricula, university programmes and teacher training programmes. Updated information on measures to raise awareness among the general public, civil servants, law enforcement and judicial authorities of the importance of cultural diversity, tolerance and inter-ethnic education.¹⁴

¹² [CERD/C/GRC/CO/20-22](#), para. 25; and [CERD/C/GRC/23-24](#), paras. 203–221.

¹³ [CERD/C/GRC/23-24](#), paras. 193–202.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, paras. 248 and 249.