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by States parties under article 9 of the Convention**

List of themes in relation to the combined twelfth to fourteenth periodic reports of Armenia

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 its population, including small ethnic groups, such as the Lom and the Molokans, based on self-identification, disaggregated by ethnic origin, languages spoken and status as migrants, refugees, asylum-seekers and stateless persons. Economic and social indicators on the various groups living in the territory of the State party, disaggregated by ethnic and national origin, sex, gender, disability and age. Disaggregated statistics on the ethnic composition of the prison population.

The Convention in domestic law and the institutional and policy framework for its implementation (arts. 2, 4, 5 and 6)

3. Measures taken to harmonize the domestic legal framework with the Convention and updated information on the application of the Convention by domestic courts.

4. Information on the implementation and impact of the National Strategy for Human Rights Protection and the Action Plan 2020–2022 derived therefrom and on measures taken to adopt a comprehensive strategy and national action plan to combat racism, racial discrimination and related intolerance. Updated information on the adoption of the draft Law on National Minorities and the draft Law on Ensuring Equality.

5. Information on measures taken to develop and adopt a comprehensive anti-discrimination law that includes a definition of direct and indirect discrimination and prohibits racial discrimination in accordance with articles 1, 2 and 4 of the Convention.

6. Information on the mandate and activities of the Office of the Human Rights Defender with regard to combating racial discrimination and on the allocation of adequate human,

¹ [A/65/18](#), para. 85.



financial and technical resources to enable the Office to discharge its mandate fully and effectively.

Racist hate speech and hate crimes

7. Information on measures taken to develop and adopt legislation criminalizing organizations that promote and incite racial discrimination and participation in such organizations in accordance with article 4 (b) of the Convention.

8. Information on cases registered with the courts or any other national institutions, particularly those in which the Criminal Code or the Code of Criminal Procedure has been invoked, involving acts of racial discrimination, racist hate speech or racist hate crimes, including over the Internet and through media outlets, and on the number of investigations, prosecutions and convictions of perpetrators. Updated and detailed information on the “Dukhov Hayastan” case.

9. Updated information on the burden of proof in cases involving racial discrimination, racist hate speech or racist hate crimes.

10. Information on the mandate of the National Security Service.

11. Information on measures taken to combat racist hate speech, including in political discourse, in the media and over the Internet. Information on the implementation and impact of the Police Reform Strategy and Action Plan 2020–2022. Specific measures taken or envisaged 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. Statistics and updated information on cases concerning racially motivated violence and practices that amount to racial profiling registered with the Internal Security and Anti-Corruption Department.

Situation of ethnic and ethno-religious groups (arts. 2, 5 and 6)

12. Measures adopted or envisaged to guarantee the full and equal enjoyment of civil and political rights by all ethnic and ethno-religious groups, in particular the rights to freedom of opinion, expression and peaceful assembly and association. Measures taken to ensure the effective participation and representation of all ethnic and ethno-religious groups in public and political life, in particular in State institutions, law enforcement agencies and the judiciary.

13. Measures taken to guarantee the full and equal enjoyment of economic, social, and cultural rights by all ethnic and ethno-religious groups, in particular their access to education, adequate housing, healthcare and employment. Measures taken to ensure access for members of all ethnic groups to high-quality education in the official languages and minority languages at all levels.

14. Detailed information on measures taken to protect women belonging to all ethnic and ethno-religious groups from all forms of gender-based violence, to investigate reports of gender-based violence, to prosecute perpetrators and to provide reparations to victims.

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

15. Measures taken to protect migrants, refugees, asylum-seekers, stateless persons and internally displaced persons and ensure their access to healthcare, employment, education and basic services.

16. Updated information on measures taken to prevent and protect against statelessness, including updated statistics on stateless persons and those at risk of statelessness, in particular among internally displaced persons. Statistics on birth registration rates and the issuance of identity cards, in particular among groups in vulnerable situations, such as internally displaced persons.

Transitional justice (art. 6)

17. Measures taken to ensure the meaningful and effective participation of members of all ethnic and ethno-religious groups in transitional justice processes.

18. Information on steps taken to search for missing persons, including the adoption of a law on missing persons.

19. Information on steps taken to protect and restore cultural heritage sites belonging to all ethnic and ethno-religious groups.

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

20. Information on the measures taken to promote human rights education, including with a view to combating racial discrimination, in all school curricula, university programmes and teacher training programmes and on measures taken to raise awareness among the general public, civil servants, law enforcement officers and judicial authorities of the importance of ethnic, ethno-religious and cultural diversity and tolerance.
