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Comunicación escrita del Defensor del Pueblo de Albania*

Nota de la Secretaría

La Secretaría tiene el honor de transmitir al Consejo de Derechos Humanos la comunicación escrita presentada por el Defensor del Pueblo de Albania**, que se distribuye de conformidad con el artículo 7 b) del reglamento del Consejo (véase la resolución 5/1, anexo) y con las disposiciones y prácticas convenidas por la Comisión de Derechos Humanos en su resolución 2005/74.

* La institución nacional de derechos humanos tiene la acreditación de la categoría “A” ante la Alianza Global de Instituciones Nacionales de Derechos Humanos.

** Se distribuye tal como se recibió, en el idioma en que se presentó únicamente.



Anexo

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We extend our sincere appreciation to this Council for its invaluable work throughout the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) cycle.

We are all witnesses to the fact that the world is facing global challenges, which are impacting the human rights scenario to a great extent. The pandemic of COVID-19, wars, and new geopolitical challenges have profoundly affected the scope and quality of human rights all over the world. Despite these challenges, Albania has consistently worked towards the advancement of its human rights agenda in alignment with UN and Council of Europe standards.

Thanks to continuous support of UN mechanism and in particularly UPR recommendations as well as SCA recommendations, our staff and budget have increased through the years. However, additional efforts are needed to fully implement our promotional mandate.

We remain crucial in addressing persistent human rights concerns, particularly in the penitentiary and migration systems. Issues, such as overcrowding in detention facilities, inadequate healthcare services and poor infrastructure persist, despite continuous efforts, we do not have a forensic institute to accommodate persons undergoing obligatory medical treatment.

Although legal reforms have been implemented, journalists and activists face threats to their safety and independence, necessitating stronger protective measures against undue pressures.

While progress has been made in advancing the rights of the LGBTI+ community, further legislative reforms are required to ensure comprehensive equality and protection for all, regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.

While committed to protecting human rights, we strongly believe that true and lasting progress can only be realized through the collective efforts of citizens, lawmakers, and institutions.
