

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO TURKEY – ADD.3

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- Is the government of Turkey considering amending the Law no. 6332 establishing the National Human Rights Institution, in which the National Preventive Mechanism for the prevention of torture and ill-treatment is anchored, to ensure its independence in full compliance with the Optional Protocol to the UN Convention against torture (OPCAT)?
- Is the government of Turkey considering incorporating additional non-discrimination provisions in the Constitution and domestic law and take administrative measures to prohibit and prevent discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity?
- Is the Government of Turkey considering establishing an independent and effective police complaint mechanism, to conduct prompt, impartial and thorough investigations into allegations of misconduct by members of the security forces and law enforcement officials?
- When will the Government of Turkey finalize the establishment of the permanent juvenile justice entity under consideration, with a view to ensure the sustainability of the progress achieved so far?
- Concerning the situation of the religious minorities is an important issue. The lack of legal personality makes it in particular difficult for non-Muslim communities to enjoy their property rights, to have access to justice, or to obtain residence and work permit for their foreign clergy. Training of their clergy is also still restricted. Can the Government of Turkey indicate what measures it intends to take in order to further improve the situation?
- As for the Alevi community, whose situation remains difficult as well, can the Government of Turkey indicate how it intends to implement the recent ECHR Decisions on the case of Cumhuriyetçi Eğitim Ve Kültür Merkezi Vakfı vs Turkey (case no 32093/10, dd 02/12/2015) and Mansur Yalçın and Others vs Turkey (case 21163/11, dd 16/09/2014)?"
- The government of Turkey has expressed its commitment to ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Which measures has the government of Turkey taken regarding a timely ratification?