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The International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association – ILGA World and the International Service for Human Rights (ISHR) have compiled a series of factsheets highlighting the work that UN special procedures – independent human rights experts, appointed to monitor and report on human rights violations – have undertaken to defend the human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex (LGBTI) persons. The factsheets compile the references and recommendations made by these experts to LGBTI persons, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, and sex characteristics (SOGIESC). They cover all thematic reports, country visit reports, and communications published between January 2011 and November 2019.



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SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON ADEQUATE HOUSING AS A COMPONENT OF THE RIGHT TO AN ADEQUATE STANDARD OF LIVING, AND ON THE RIGHT TO NON-DISCRIMINATION IN THIS CONTEXT

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WORK SUMMARY

COUNTRIES VISITED

ADDRESSES SOGIESC ISSUES:

- **Egypt –** (February 2018) Report, paras. 87, 88, 105.
- **Republic of Korea –** (May 2018) Report, paras. 85, 86, 87, 99d(ii), 99e, 99f, 99l(i), 99l(ii).
- Serbia and Kosovo* (UN Security Council Resolution 1244) (May 2015) Report, para. 3.
 - Indonesia (May/June 2013) Report, paras. 69, 81n.

DOES NOT ADDRESS SOGIESC ISSUES:

- Chile (April 2017)
- Portugal (December 2016)
- India (April 2016)
- Cabo Verde (January 2015)
- United Kingdom (August 2013)
- Rwanda (July 2012)
- Israel & Occupied Palestinian Territories (January 2012)
- Algeria (July 2011)
- Argentina (April 2011)

ANNUAL THEMATIC REPORTS

The right to housing for indigenous peoples
July 2019 (74th Session General Assembly (GA))

Access to justice for the right to housing
January 2019 (40th Session Human Rights Council (HRC))

The right to housing for residents of informal settlements
September 2018 (73rd Session GA)

Human rights-based national housing strategies March 2018 (37th Session HRC)

Brief references to SOGIESC.

(LGBTI among groups that suffer housing disadvantages and that should be identified and addressed in housing strategies; Must ensure LGBTI participation in development of housing strategies.)

Paras. 36. 65.

No SOGIESC references.

The right to adequate housing of persons with disabilities
July 2017 (72nd Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Financialization of housing and the right to adequate housing

March 2017 (34th Session HRC)

The right to life and the right to adequate housing: the indivisibility and interdependence between these rights

August 2016 (71st Session GA)

Homelessness as a global human rights crisis that demands an urgent global response March 2016 (31st Session HRC)

Good references to SOGIESC. (Those who face discrimination on grounds of, inter alia, SOGI, are more likely to become homeless and, once homeless, experience additional discrimination; LGBTI youth are overrepresented in homeless populations in some countries, face additional stigmatization and social exclusion, are more vulnerable to violence and more likely to be turned away from shelters.)

Paras. 39, 44, 87.

Centrality of the right to adequate housing for the development and implementation of the New Urban Agenda to be adopted at Habitat III in October 2016 August 2015 (70th Session GA)

Brief reference to SOGIESC. (LGBTI youth as one of the groups in vulnerable situations.) Para. 49.

Responsibilities of local and other subnational governments in relation to the right to adequate housing

No SOGIESC references.

March 2015 (28th Session HRC)

Some preliminary thoughts and priority areas of work for new mandate-holder

August 2014 (69th Session GA)

Brief reference to SOGI. (LGBT persons among groups disproportionately affected by inadequate housing and homelessness.)
Para. 12.

Guiding Principles on security of tenure for the urban poor

March 2014 (25th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

Analysis of two alternative housing policies: rental and collective housing

August 2013 (68th Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Mapping and framing security of tenure

March 2013 (22nd Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

The impact of housing finance policies on the right to adequate housing of those living in poverty

August 2012 (67th Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Women and their right to adequate housing

March 2012 (19th Session HRC)

Brief references to SO. (Lesbians among especially disadvantaged groups who encounter intersectional discrimination in access to housing, and calling for prioritization of their needs.)

Paras. 50, 63d.

The right to adequate housing in disaster relief efforts

August 2011 (66th Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Post conflict and post disaster reconstruction and the right to adequate housing

March 2011 (16th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

COMMUNICATIONS

| COUNTRY/DATE | EXPERTS | SITUATION |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Guatemala 22 March 2019 | Food Housing International solidarity Migrants Racism Sale of children SOGI Trafficking in persons | Information received in relation to the situation of migrants, including LGBTI people, in caravans, heading for Mexico and the United States of America, and in particular with reference to a violent and xenophobic incident against migrants in Tecún Umán, as well as the need for the government to take active measures to protect the human rights of all migrants. |
| Brazil 22 March 2018 | African descent Extrajudicial executions Foreign debt Housing Human rights defenders Poverty Racism SOGI Violence against women Women in law and in practice | Killing of Marielle Franco and her driver on 14 March 2018. Franco was an Afro-Brazilian human rights defender working for the rights of women, people of African descent, LGBT people, young people in the favelas of Rio de Janeiro and socially excluded communities. She identified herself as a woman, as a feminist, as black, as favelada, as bisexual and as married to another woman. |