#28 – UN SPECIAL PROCEDURES & LGBTI ISSUES



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 December 2021.



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- Ms. Maud de Boer-Buquicchio (The Netherlands) 2014-2020
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 - Mr. Vitit MUNTARBHORN (Thailand), 1991 - 1994

WORK SUMMARY

COUNTRIES VISITED

ADDRESSES SOGIESC ISSUES:

Bulgaria - (April 2019) Report, paras. 19, 24, 29, 33, 45, 46, 58, 74f

Malaysia - (September 2018) Report, paras. 24, 61b

Ireland - (May 2018) Report, paras. 72, 82f

Georgia – (May 2017) Report, para. 15, 34.

Japan - (October 2015) Report, para. 74f-v.

Honduras – (April 2014) Report, para. 8.

Guatemala - (August 2012) Report, para. 18.

DOES NOT ADDRESS SOGIESC ISSUES:

- Montenegro (September 2021)
- Gambia (October 2019)
- People's Democratic Republic of Lao (November 2017)
- Dominican Republic (May 2017)
- Nigeria (January 2016)
- Armenia (May 2015)
- Benin (November 2013)
- Madagascar (July 2013)
- Kyrgyzstan (April 2013)
- Honduras (September 2012)
- France (November 2011)
- Mauritius (May 2011)

ANNUAL THEMATIC REPORTS

Thematic study on the gender dimension of the sexual exploitation of children and the importance of integrating a child-centred and gender-inclusive approach to combating and eradicating the scourge

July 2021 (76th Session General Assembly (GA))

Good reference to SOGIESC (vulnerability of young LGBTI persons to violence and abuse and the lack of support mechanisms for them, overlooking of transgender and non-binary children).

Paras. 2-4, 7, 10-13, 16, 18, 20-27, 32-37, 41, 44, 46, 52-54, 60, 67-68, 70-74, 76, 81-82, 84.

Impact of coronavirus disease on different manifestations of sale and sexual exploitation of children

January 2021 (46th Session HRC)

Brief reference to SOGIESC. Para. 69.

Vision and methods of work of the Special Rapporteur

July 2020 (75th Session GA)

Brief reference to SOGI. Para. 46.

Reflections of the Special Rapporteur on 2014-2020 tenure

January 2020 (43rd Session HRC)

Brief reference to SOGI. Paras. 68, 98.

Safeguards on the protection of the rights of the children born from surrogacy arrangements July 2019 (74th Session GA)	Brief reference to SO. Para. 89.
Sale and sexual exploitation of children in the context of sports March 2019 (40th Session HRC)	Brief reference to LGBTI. Para. 73.
Combating and preventing the sale and sexual exploitation of children through the implementation of the SDGs July 2018 (73nd Session GA)	No SOGIESC references.
Surrogacy March 2018 (37th Session HRC)	No SOGIESC references.
Vulnerabilities of children to sale, trafficking, and other forms of exploitation in situations of conflict and humanitarian crisis July 2017 (72nd Session GA)	No SOGIESC references.
Illegal adoptions March 2017 (34th session HRC)	No SOGIESC references.
Sale of children for the purpose of forced labour August 2016 (71st Session GA)	No SOGIESC references.
• •	No SOGIESC references. Brief reference to SO (exploitation of homosexual and transgender children). Para. 45.
August 2016 (71st Session GA) Tackling the demand for the sexual exploitation of children	Brief reference to SO (exploitation of homosexual and transgender children).

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography on approach, vision, and work methods

No SOGIESC references.

August 2014 (69th Session GA)

Reflection on a 6-year tenure as Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography March 2014 (25th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

Comprehensive prevention strategies against sale and sexual exploitation of children

Brief reference to "homosexual relations".

Para. 30.

August 2013 (68th Session GA)

Sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism

Brief reference to homosexuality.

Para. 64.

March 2013 (22nd Session HRC)

Child participation August 2012 (67th Session GA) No SOGIESC references.

Protection of children from sale and sexual exploitation following humanitarian crisis due to

natural disasters March 2012 (19th Session HRC) No SOGIESC references.

Comprehensive child protection systems

July 2011 (66th Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Violence against children on child-sensitive complaint mechanisms

March 2011 (16th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

COMMUNICATIONS

COUNTRY/DATE	EXPERTS	SITUATION
Somalia I Sep 2020	Somalia Health Freedom of religion Sale of children Slavery Torture Trafficking in persons Violence against women Women and girls	Information received concerning the draft bill on "Sexual Intercourse Related Crimes".
Guatemala 22 March 2019	Food Housing International solidarity Migrants Racism Sale of children SOGI Trafficking in persons	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in caravan, in the direction of 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.