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List of themes to be taken up in connection with the consideration of the sixth and seventh periodic reports of Uzbekistan (CERD/C/UZB/6-7)

The following is a list of themes identified by the Country Rapporteur in connection with the consideration of the sixth and seventh periodic reports of Uzbekistan. The list is meant to guide the dialogue between the State party delegation and the Committee and *does not require written replies*. This is not an exhaustive list as other issues will be raised in the course of the dialogue.

1. Scarcity of reliable demographic indicators

(a) Measures taken by the State party to enable it to understand its demographic composition and to monitor progress in eliminating discrimination in the absence of a recent population census (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 10, CERD/C/UZB/6-7, paras. 30-33).

2. The Convention in domestic law and legislative and policy framework for its implementation (articles 1, 2 and 6)

(a) Measures taken or planned by the State party to bring the definition of discrimination in the domestic legislation into full compliance with the definition of article 1, paragraph 1 of the Convention (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 9, CERD/C/UZB/6-7, paras. 271, 319 and 332);

(b) Information on discrimination-related cases brought under article 156 of the Criminal Code, (“Incitement to ethnic, racial or religious hatred”) or article 42 of the Code of Administrative Liability, and their outcomes; any other discrimination complaints submitted to the courts, under what legislative provisions and with what outcomes (other than the 11 trafficking cases cited in the State party report, CERD/C/UZB/6-7, paras. 483-485).

3. Situation of ethnic minorities (articles 5 and 6)

(a) Measures taken by the State party to monitor and ensure the effective level of participation of members of national and ethnic minorities in State institutions (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 15, CERD/C/UZB/6-7, paras. 41-48);

(b) Provision of data on the appointment of defence counsel in cases involving persons who do not know the language in which the proceedings are being conducted. (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 13; CERD/C/UZB/CO/5/Add.2, para. 51); provision of statistical data on the ethnicity of detainees in pre-trial detention facilities and of prisoners in correctional facilities;

(c) Provision of up-to-date disaggregated data on the number of schools teaching in minority languages at all levels, their geographical distribution, the quality of education provided, and difficulties encountered (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 19);

(d) Provision of statistical data (disaggregated by region/ethnic origin of applicants) on the number of *propiska* applications and their outcomes in the context of article 5, paragraph (i) of the Convention (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 16, CERD/C/UZB/6-7, paras. 363-365).

4. Situation of non-citizens, including asylum seekers and refugees (article 5)

(a) Progress achieved in establishing a legislative framework for the protection of refugees, in particular in the context of article 5, paragraph (b) of the Convention (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 14);

(b) Information on the procedure for examining extradition cases to ensure that individuals are not returned to States where their life/health may be at risk (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 14, CERD/C/UZB/CO/5/Add.1, para. 14).

5. Situation of Roma (article 5)

(a) Information on the situation of Roma, and on any strategy the State party may have developed with a view to protecting Roma from discrimination;

(b) Factors leading to many Roma claiming to belong to other ethnic groups (CERD/C/UZB/6-7, para. 297);

(c) Information on whether the national staff training programme and the nationwide school education development programme include specific provisions to address the education levels of Roma, which appear to be considerably lower than the national average (CERD/C/UZB/CO/5, para. 17, CERD/C/UZB/6-7, paras. 295-302).