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Special Decisions or action taken Re: Reporting, Including Urgent Action Procedure

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COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Sixty-ninth session

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 1781st MEETING

Held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
on Wednesday, 16 August 2006, at 10 a.m.

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PREVENTION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, INCLUDING EARLY WARNING
MEASURES AND URGENT ACTION PROCEDURES (agenda item 3) (continued)

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United Kingdom

38. Ms. JANUARY-BARDILL said that the information which the Committee had requested about the situation of Gypsies in the United Kingdom had been received, but that the working group was unlikely to have an opportunity to discuss it before the end of the current session.

39. Many of the cases submitted to the working group had to do with indigenous issues rather than actual racial discrimination. The Committee should perhaps consider whether such cases were best dealt with under the early warning and urgent action procedure.

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Chapter II

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15. During the reporting period, the Committee also considered a number of situations under its early warning and urgent action procedure, including in particular the following.

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23. At its seventy-sixth session, the Committee considered the situation of the Romani and Irish Traveller community of Dale Farm, County of Essex in the **United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**. Given allegations that the Romani and Irish Traveller community was at risk from a pending eviction, the Committee decided to request clarification of the situation. The Government responded by a note verbale dated 10 May 2010 stating that it did not recognize the competence of the Committee to receive and consider individual complaints under article 14 of the Convention. However, the Committee requested such information in accordance with article 9, paragraph 1, of the Convention and article 65 of its rules of procedure in its letter dated 12 March 2010.

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