

**CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS SUBMITTED BY STATES PARTIES
UNDER ARTICLE 19 OF THE CONVENTION**

Concluding observations of the Committee against Torture
(Extracts for follow-up of CAT/C/CYP/CO/5)

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(...)

C. Principal subjects of concern and recommendations

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Fundamental legal safeguards

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11. The State party should:

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(b) **Take measures to combat the problem of police abuse, in particular abuse perpetrated during investigations;**

(...)

Judicial review with suspensive effect for asylum seekers and irregular migrants

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19. The State party should continue to abide by its commitment to provide for an effective judicial remedy with automatic suspensive effect in the context of the deportation of asylum seekers and irregular migrants, by:

(...)

(b) **Ensuring that legal recourse is available to asylum seekers and irregular migrants who have lost the protection of suspensive effect;**

(...)

Early identification of torture victims, and medical examinations

(...)

33. The State party should:

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(c) Urgently improve the screening system to ensure early identification and referral of, and assistance and support for, vulnerable asylum seekers, in particular for victims of torture and ill-treatment;

(...)

Follow-up procedure

46. The Committee requests the State party to provide, by 6 December 2020, information on follow-up to the Committee's recommendations on measures to combat the problem of police abuse, in particular abuse perpetuated during investigations, on ensuring legal recourse for asylum seekers and irregular migrants who have lost the protection of suspensive effect, and on improving the screening system to ensure early identification, referral, assistance and support for vulnerable asylum seekers, in particular for victims of torture and ill-treatment (see paras. 11 (b), 19 (b) and 33 (c) above). In that context, the State party is invited to inform the Committee about its plans for implementing, within the coming reporting period, some or all of the remaining recommendations in the concluding observations.

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