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/ISR/CO/5*)

ISRAEL

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C. Principal subjects of concern and recommendations

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Independent medical examinations of persons deprived of their liberty

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21. The State party should urgently take the measures necessary to guarantee in practice that physicians and other medical staff dealing with persons deprived of liberty duly document all signs and allegations of torture or ill-treatment and report them without delay to the appropriate authorities. It should also consider transferring responsibility for all types of health care of persons deprived of liberty to the Ministry of Health in order to ensure that medical staff can operate fully independently from the custodial authorities.

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Administrative detention and Incarceration of Unlawful Combatants Law

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23. The State party should:

(...)

(a) Urgently take the measures necessary to end the practice of administrative detention and ensure that all persons who are currently held in administrative detention are afforded all basic legal safeguards;

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Solitary confinement and other forms of isolation

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25. **The State party should:**

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(b) **Put an immediate end and prohibit the use of solitary confinement and equivalent measures for juveniles and persons with intellectual or psychosocial disabilities;**

(...)

Allegations of torture and ill-treatment

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31. **The State party should:**

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(b) Take effective measures with a view to ensuring that interrogation methods contrary to the Convention are not used under any circumstances and avoid the use of restraints during interrogation as much as possible or apply them, only if strictly regulated, as a measure of last resort, when less intrusive alternatives for control have failed and for the shortest possible time;

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Follow-up procedure

52. The Committee requests the State party to provide, by 13 May 2017, information on follow-up to the Committee's recommendations on independent medical examinations of persons deprived of liberty, administrative detention, solitary confinement and other forms of isolation, and allegations of torture and ill-treatment (see paras. 21, 23 (a), 25 (b) and 31 (b) 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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