

Committee against Torture

REFERENCE: Follow-up/CAT - Kiribati

29 April 2025

Excellency,

In my capacity as Rapporteur for Follow-up to Concluding Observations of the Committee against Torture, I refer to the examination of the initial report of Kiribati (CAT/C/KIR/1) by the Committee, at its 78th session, held from 30 October to 24 November 2023. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations (CAT/C/KIR/CO/1) were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. In paragraph 32 of those concluding observations, the Committee requested, pursuant to its rules of procedure, that the State party provide, within one year, by 24 November 2024, further information regarding areas of particular concern identified by the Committee in paragraphs 7, 25 and 29. It also invited the State party to provide information about its plans for implementing, within the coming reporting period, the remaining recommendations included in its concluding observations (see extracts annexed).

The Committee has adopted a follow-up procedure to pursue issues that are serious, that can be accomplished by the State party in a one year period, and that are protective (see, doc. CAT/C/55/3). The information sought by the Committee has not been provided yet, although more than a year has elapsed since the transmittal of the Committee's concluding observations. Accordingly, I would be grateful for clarification as to the current status of your Government's responses on the matters, and as to when the information requested will be forthcoming. A Word electronic version of the reply should be sent to the Secretariat of the Committee against Torture (ohchr-cat@un.org). Upon receipt of this information, the Committee will be able to assess whether further action is needed.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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