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/FIN/CO/7*)

FINLAND

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C. Principal subjects of concern and recommendations

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National preventive mechanism

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15. The State party should strengthen the national preventive mechanism by providing it with sufficient financial and human resources to enable it to carry out its mandate independently and effectively, in accordance with the guidelines of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. It should also consider the possibility of establishing the national preventive mechanism as a separate entity under the Parliamentary Ombudsman, with budgetary and staffing autonomy.

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Detention of remand prisoners in police detention facilities

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17. **The State party should:**

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(d) Provide the Committee with information about the outcome of the Ministry of Justice working group's efforts concerning the transfer of responsibility for remand prisoners held at police facilities to the administrative branch of the Ministry;

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Detention of juveniles

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19. The Committee recommends that the State party take steps to separate juvenile detainees from adults in all places of detention, bearing in mind their best interests, in accordance with the United Nations Standard Minimum Rules

for the Administration of Juvenile Justice (the Beijing Rules) and the United Nations Rules for the Protection of Juveniles Deprived of their Liberty.

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Follow-up procedure

34. The Committee requests the State party to provide, by 7 December 2017, information on follow-up to the Committee's recommendations on the national preventive mechanism, on the transfer of responsibility for remand prisoners held at police facilities to the administrative branch of the Ministry of Justice and on the separation of juvenile detainees from adults in all places of detention (see paras. 15, 17 (d) and 18). 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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