

***Committee Against Torture***

REFERENCE: Follow-up/CAT

16 April 2024

Excellency,

In my capacity as Rapporteur for Follow-up to Concluding Observations of the Committee against Torture, I refer to the examination of the sixth periodic report of Australia (CAT/C/AUS/6) by the Committee, at its 75<sup>th</sup> session, held from 31 October to 25 November 2022. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations (CAT/C/AUS/CO/6) were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. In paragraph 53 of those concluding observations, the Committee requested, pursuant to its rules of procedure, that the State party provide, within one year, by 25 November 2023, further information regarding areas of particular concern identified by the Committee in paragraphs 28, 32 and 38. 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 one 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](mailto: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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