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Committee against Torture

Decision adopted by the Committee under article 22 of the Convention, concerning communication No. 1230/2024^{*,}**

<i>Submitted by:</i>	M.H. (represented by counsel, Vadim Drozdov)
<i>Alleged victim:</i>	The complainant
<i>State party:</i>	Switzerland
<i>Date of communication:</i>	31 October 2024 (initial submission)
<i>Substantive issues:</i>	Deportation to Belarus; risk of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment

1. The communication dated 31 October 2024 was submitted by M.H., a national of Belarus born in 1973. He claims that by deporting him to Belarus, the State party would violate his rights under articles 3 and 16 of the Convention. The author is represented by counsel.
2. On 7 November 2024, the communication was registered with the request for interim measures granted. The State party was requested to refrain from removing the complainant to Belarus, while the communication was pending before the Committee.
3. On 4 April 2025, the complainant informed the Committee that he has been granted refugee status and therefore requested the Committee to discontinue the communication. On 8 April 2025, the State party also requested the Committee to discontinue the communication.
4. In view of the fact that the complainant has been granted refugee status, the Committee decided at its 82nd session on 10 April 2025, to discontinue consideration of communication No. 1230/2024.

* Adopted by the Committee at its 82nd session (7 April – 2 May 2025).

** The following members of the Committee participated in the examination of the communication: Todd Buchwald, Jorge Contesse, Claude Heller, Erdogan Iscan, Peter Vedel Kessing, Liu Huawen, Maeda Naoko, Ana Racu, Abderrazak Rouwane and Bakhtiyar Tuzmukhamedov.