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Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

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Excellency,

In my capacity as Rapporteur on follow-up on concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), I have the honor to refer to the examination of the seventh periodic report of Slovenia, at the Committee's eighty-fourth session, held in February 2023. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations ([CEDAW/C/SVN/CO/7](#)) were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that in paragraph 56 on follow-up to the concluding observations, the Committee requested Slovenia to provide, within two years, written information on the steps taken to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 12 (a), 26 (f), 34, and 52 of the concluding observations.

The Committee welcomes the follow-up report ([CEDAW/C/SVN/FCO/7](#)) received on time on 5 March 2025. Due to the postponement of the Committee's 92nd session as a result of the liquidity crisis, the report was examined with some delay under the CEDAW follow-up procedure. At its ninety-second session, held in February 2026, the Committee examined this follow-up report and adopted the following assessment.

Regarding the recommendation made in **paragraph 12 (a)** of the concluding observations that the State party **“provide systematic capacity-building and training for government officials, judges, prosecutors, police officers and other law enforcement officials, as well as lawyers, on the Convention, the Optional Protocol thereto and the Committee's general recommendations”**:

The Committee welcomes the training activities provided by the Judicial Training Centre for judges, prosecutors and judicial staff, including the seminar on EU Gender Equality Law covering discrimination concepts, equal pay, violence against women, and the 2024 Family Law School addressing domestic violence. It notes with appreciation the Bar Academy's training on the Convention in labour and family law courses and its plans to provide specific training on the Convention, the Optional Protocol and the Committee's general recommendations in 2025.

The Committee regrets, however, the absence of information on systematic capacity-building and training for police officers and other law enforcement officials on the Convention and the Optional Protocol thereto.

The Committee considers that the State party has taken steps to implement the recommendation, particularly in providing substantial education to the judiciary on the Convention. It therefore considers that the recommendation has **been partially implemented**.

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The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party is extensive but does not address all components of the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **partially satisfactory**.

The Committee recommends that, in relation to **paragraph 12 (a)** of the concluding observations, the State party provide, **in its next periodic report**, information on further actions taken to:

Provide systematic capacity-building and training for government officials, judges, prosecutors, police officers and other law enforcement officials, as well as lawyers, on the Convention, the Optional Protocol thereto and the Committee's general recommendations.

Regarding the recommendation made in **paragraph 26 (f)** of the concluding observations that the State party "**ensure the collection and analysis of data on all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls, including psychological, economic and domestic violence, as well as cyberviolence and femicide, disaggregated by age, nationality, disability and the relationship between the victim and the perpetrator, and include economic and psychological forms of gender-based violence against women in administrative legislation**":

The Committee notes the State party's 2021 Survey on Personal Security in the Private Environment and the Statistical Office's publication of annual data on perpetrators. It regrets, however, that statistical data on domestic violence is not disaggregated by forms of violence but remains only in aggregate form. The Committee further regrets that no new national survey on the prevalence of violence has been conducted since March 2023, despite the Committee's recommendations for systematic data collection and analysis.

The Committee welcomes the adoption of the Resolution on the National Programme for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Violence against Women 2024-2029, which acknowledges gaps in data quality and sets strategic goals for improved data collection. It regrets, however, that the Action Plan for 2024-2025 contains only one specific measure regarding data collection on sexual harassment and sexual crime. The Committee notes with concern the absence of information on cyberviolence and femicide data collection.

The Committee considers that the State party has not taken sufficient steps to implement the recommendation. It therefore considers that the recommendation has **not been implemented**.

The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party is extensive but fails to respond fully to the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **partially satisfactory**.

The Committee recommends that, in relation to **paragraph 26 (f)** of the concluding observations, the State party provide, **in its next periodic report**, information on further actions taken to:

Ensure the collection and analysis of data on all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls, including psychological, economic and domestic violence, as well as cyberviolence and femicide, disaggregated by age, nationality, disability and the relationship between the victim and the perpetrator, and include economic and psychological forms of gender-based violence against women in administrative legislation.



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Regarding the recommendation made in **paragraph 34** of the concluding observations that the State party "**ensure an enabling environment for women's organizations and women human rights defenders to advocate for women's human rights, including through cooperation in the implementation of the present recommendations, and their consultation in the preparation of the next periodic report, preparation of a national action plan on women rights, prevention of domestic violence and prevention of trafficking activities**":

The Committee welcomes the establishment of the Expert Council for Gender Equality as a consultative body composed of experts from academic institutions and non-governmental organisations, and its involvement in considering the concluding observations and preparing the next periodic report. It notes with appreciation the Expert Council's participation in drafting the Resolution on the national programme for equal opportunities for women and men 2023-2030 and its implementation plans.

The Committee further welcomes the Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities' annual call for proposals for co-financing projects of NGOs in the field of gender equality, the Ministry of Justice's regular cooperation with NGOs on domestic violence issues, including the annual conference on 25 November, and the continuous involvement of NGOs in drafting legislation and strategic documents on combating trafficking in human beings through the Inter-Ministerial Working Group.

The Committee considers that the State party has taken significant steps to implement the recommendation. It therefore considers that the recommendation has **been substantially implemented**.

The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party is thorough, extensive and relates directly to the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **satisfactory**.

Regarding the recommendation made in **paragraph 52** of the concluding observations that the State party "**amend the Marriage and Family Relations Act and all other related national legislation acts to eliminate all exceptions to the legal minimum age of marriage of 18 years for both women and men**":

The Committee notes the State party's detailed explanation of the Family Code provisions allowing courts to authorise marriage for children who have reached the age of 15 years through an exemption procedure. It acknowledges that between April 2019 and February 2024, social work centres issued four opinions on such exemptions, with courts authorising marriage in all concluded cases.

The Committee regrets that the State party has not taken any steps to amend the legislation to eliminate all exceptions to the legal minimum age of marriage of 18 years, despite the Committee's clear recommendation. It regrets the State party's position that the current legal arrangements are appropriate, as this contradicts international standards on preventing child marriage as a harmful practice.

The Committee considers that the State party has not taken steps to implement the recommendation regarding underage marriage. It therefore considers that the recommendation has **not been implemented**.



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The Committee considers that the information provided by the State party is thorough, extensive and relates directly to the recommendation. It thus considers that the quality of the information provided is **satisfactory**.

The Committee recommends that, in relation to **paragraph 52** of the concluding observations, the State party provide, **in its next periodic report**, information on further actions taken to:

Amend the Marriage and Family Relations Act and all other related national legislation acts to eliminate all exceptions to the legal minimum age of marriage of 18 years for both women and men.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jelena Pia-Cornella', written over a horizontal line.

Jelena Pia-Cornella

Rapporteur on follow-up

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