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Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Decision adopted by the Committee under article 14 of the Convention, concerning communication No. 76/2021*,**

Communication submitted by: I.R. (represented by AsyLex)

Alleged victim: The author

State party: Switzerland

Date of communication: 19 April 2021

Substantive issues: Deportation to Ethiopia; risk of torture

- 1. The author of the communication is I.R. national of Ethiopia. He claims that by deporting him to Ethiopia, the State party would violate his rights under articles 5 and 6 of the Convention. The author is represented by counsel.
- 2. On 27 April 2021, the communication was registered with the request for interim measures granted. The State party was requested to refrain from removing the author to Ethiopia, while the communication was pending before the Committee.
- 3. On 25 June 2021, the State party requested the communication to be discontinued because the author had returned to Ethiopia. On 2 November 2022 the State party reiterated its request. On 15 December 2022, the author informed that instead of returning to Ethiopia he has travelled to the United Kingdom, where he has applied for asylum. He informed that he agrees to discontinue the communication.
- 4. In view of the fact that the author has left the State party's territory, and the parties agree to discontinue the communication, the Committee decided at its 115th session on 5 May 2025, to discontinue the consideration of communication 76/2021.

^{*} Adopted by the Committee at its 115th session (22 April – 9 May 2025).

^{**} The following members of the Committee participated in the examination of the communication: Michael Balcerzak, Pela Boker-Wilson, Chinsung Chung, Bakari Sidiki Diaby, Régine Esseneme, Jian Guan, Ibrahima Guisse, Gun Kut, Gay McDougall, Verene Shepherd, Stamatia Stavrinaki, Mazalo Tebie, Faith Dikeledi Pansy Tlakula, Abderrahman Tlemcani and Yeung Kam John Yeung Sik Yuen.