

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

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Excellency,

In my capacity as Rapporteur on follow-up to concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), I have the honor to refer to the examination of the eighth periodic report of Italy, at the Committee's eighty-seventh session, held in February 2024. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations ([CEDAW/C/ITA/CO/8](#)) were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that in paragraph 60 on follow-up to the concluding observations, the Committee requested Italy to provide, within two years, written information on the steps taken to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 24, 26 (a) and 50 (a) of the concluding observations, namely:

“24. The Committee recommends that the State party increase the use of temporary special measures, including quotas and parity systems, in line with article 4 (1) of the Convention and the Committee's general recommendation No. 25 (2004) on temporary special measures, to achieve substantive equality of women and men in all areas covered by the Convention in which women are underrepresented or disadvantaged, including in Parliament and regional and municipal councils, education and employment, inclusive of managerial positions. It also recommends that the State party raise public awareness about the non-discriminatory nature of temporary special measures, provide capacity-building to public officials on their use and systematically collect data on their impact. It further recommends that the State party ensure the strict enforcement of article 48 of Legislative Decree No. 198 of 2006 and raise its minimum quota of one third for the recruitment of women to the public administration to 50 per cent in order to reach parity by 2030.”

“26. The Committee recommends that the State party:

(a) Reinforce existing normative measures and expedite the adoption of a comprehensive strategy, with proactive and sustained measures, to eliminate stereotypes regarding the roles and responsibilities of women and men in the family and society, allocate adequate human, technical and financial resources for the implementation of the strategy, in cooperation with the regions, and ensure the assessment

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of the sanctions imposed by the Communications Regulatory Authority in cases involving the use of discriminatory language against women and hate speech.”

“50. In line with its general recommendation No. 32 (2014) on the gender-related dimensions of refugee status, asylum, nationality and statelessness of women, the Committee recommends that the State party:

(a) Adopt gender-responsive, culturally sensitive and age-appropriate screening and assessment procedures to ensure the identification, protection and referral to relevant support services of refugees and asylum-seekers, in particular women and girls who are victims of or at risk for gender-based violence, as previously recommended ([CEDAW/C/ITA/CO/7](#), para. 16).”

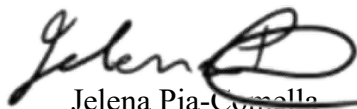
Although the information sought by the Committee was due in February 2026, it has not been received to date. Accordingly, I would be grateful for clarification as to the current status of your Government’s response on the matters.

The Committee looks forward to pursuing the constructive dialogue it has started with the authorities of Italy on the implementation of the Convention. In this context, the Committee seeks to receive your response to this reminder **within one month of the date of this correspondence**.

Please note that this response should be precise and should not exceed a maximum length of **3,150 words**, including footnotes. You may attach a limited number of annexes containing statistical data only which are not counted for the word limit. Please also send a **Word electronic version** of the information requested to the Secretariat of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women by email to [ohchr-
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Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



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