COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE

Fifty-eighth session 25 July – 12 August 2016

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS SUBMITTED BY STATES PARTIES UNDER ARTICLE 19 OF THE CONVENTION

Concluding observations of the Committee against Torture

(Extracts for follow-up of CAT/C/MNG/CO/2)

MONGOLIA

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C. Principal subjects of concern and recommendations

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Fundamental legal safeguards

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- 12. The State party should take effective measures to guarantee that all detained persons are afforded in practice all the fundamental legal safeguards from the outset of their deprivation of liberty, in accordance with international standards, including ceasing carrying out arrests without a legal arrest warrant. The safeguards for detained persons should also include:
 - (a) To be informed about the charges against them and about all their legal rights, both orally and in writing;

(...)

(d) To receive visits without conditions, including without attempts to force confessions by making family visits conditional thereon;

(...)

Impunity for acts of torture

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- 16. The Committee reiterates its previous recommendation (see CAT/C/MNG/CO/1, para. 9) that the State party should:
 - (a) Ensure that all reports of torture and ill-treatment by public officials, including the police, are investigated promptly, effectively and impartially by an independent mechanism, with no institutional or hierarchical connection between the investigators and the alleged perpetrators;

(...)

(d) Provide the Committee with information on the outcome of the three complaints of torture being investigated by the Investigation Office of the

General Police Department, as indicated in the additional information provided by the State party in July 2016.

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Follow-up procedure

41. The Committee requests the State party to provide, by 12 August 2017, information on follow-up to the Committee's recommendations on respect for fundamental legal safeguards and impunity (see paras. 12 (a)–(d) and 16 (a)–(d)). In the same context, the State party is invited to inform the Committee about its plans for implementing, within the coming reporting period, some or all of the remaining recommendations in the concluding observations.

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