

The International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association – ILGA World and the International Service for Human Rights (ISHR) have compiled a series of factsheets highlighting the work that UN special procedures – independent human rights experts, appointed to monitor and report on human rights violations – have undertaken to defend the human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex (LGBTI) persons. The factsheets compile the references and recommendations made by these experts to LGBTI persons, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, and sex characteristics (SOGIESC). They cover all thematic reports, country visit reports, and communications sent to States between January 2011 and November 2020.



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## WORK SUMMARY

### COUNTRIES VISITED

#### ADDRESSES SOGIESC ISSUES:

- **Peru** – (February-March 2020) Report, paras. 33, 69, 71, 96.
- **Ecuador** – (December 2019) Report, paras. 23, 46.
- **Argentina** – (March 2019) Report, paras. 46, 48.
- **Belgium** – (February 2019) Report, paras. 63, 75p.
- **Spain** – (February 2018) Report, paras. 12, 47.
- **Guyana** – (October 2017) Report, para. 33.
- **Germany** – (February 2017) Report, paras. 14, 18.
- **Canada** – (October 2016) Report, paras. 26, 50, 66, 69, 71, 93c.
- **United States** – (January 2016) Report, paras. 28, 56, 59, 115.
  - **Italy** – (June 2015) Report, para. 34.
- **Sweden** – (December 2014) Report, paras. 31, 32, 38, 55.
  - **Netherlands** – (June/July 2014) Report, para. 42.
  - **Brazil** – (December 2013) Report, para. 71.
- **United Kingdom** – (October 2012) Report, paras. 16, 84.
  - **Portugal** – (May 2011) Report, para. 19.

#### DOES NOT ADDRESS SOGIESC ISSUES:

- Panama (January 2013)

### ANNUAL THEMATIC REPORTS

**COVID-19, systemic racism and global protest**  
August 2020 (consolidated report to 45th Session Human Rights Council (HRC) and 75<sup>th</sup> Session General Assembly (GA))

Brief reference to SOGI  
Para. 26

**Data for racial justice**  
September 2019 (42nd Session HRC)

Brief reference to sexuality and LGBTI.  
Paras. 59, 84.

<p><b>The role of negative racial stereotypes and the stereotyping of people of African descent in perpetuating racially biased decision-making, racial disparities and racial injustice</b> August 2019 (74th Session GA)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>Framework for a Declaration on the promotion and full respect of human rights of people of African descent</b> September 2018 (39th Session HRC)</p>	<p>Brief references to SOGE and “sexual identity”. Paras. 41, 47.</p>
<p><b>Leaving no one behind: people of African descent and the Sustainable Development Goals</b> September 2017 (36th Session HRC)</p>	<p>Brief reference to LGBTI people. Para. 26.</p>
<p><b>Activity Report and the International Decade for People of African Descent</b> August 2016 (71st Session GA)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>Interlinkages between recognition, justice and development</b> September 2016 (33th Session HRC)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>Activity Report and the International Decade for People of African Descent</b> August 2015 (70th Session GA)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>Development and people of African descent</b> September 2015 (30th Session HRC)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>Activity Report and the International Decade for People of African Descent</b> August 2014 (69th Session GA)</p>	<p>Brief reference to LGBTI. (LGBTI persons of African descent in Brazil.) Para. 17.</p>
<p><b>People of African descent: access to justice</b> September 2014 (27th Session HRC)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>Recognition through Education, Cultural Rights and Data Collection</b> September 2013 (24th Session HRC)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>The draft Programme of Action for the Decade for People of African Descent (2013-2022)</b> September 2012 (21st Session HRC)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p><b>The International Year for People of African Descent 2011</b> September 2011 (18th Session HRC)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>

## COMMUNICATIONS

COUNTRY/DATE	EXPERTS	SITUATION
<p><b>Netherlands</b> 28 July 2020</p>	<p>Racism African Descent SOGI Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Information received concerning the Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND)'s intention to deport Mrs. Anita Mavita, her husband Mr. Jude Kasangaki, an LGBT activist, and their youngest child to Uganda, while keeping their other seven children who had been forcibly removed from their parents and place in foster homes in the Netherlands.</p>
<p><b>United States of America</b> 8 June 2020</p>	<p>African descent Arbitrary detention Disability Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Hazardous substances Health Housing Independent of judges and lawyers Mercenaries Minority issues Older persons Poverty Racism SOGI Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning several recent killings of people of African descent in apparently State-endorsed operations in the United States.</p>
<p><b>United States of America</b> 13 May 2020</p>	<p>Executions African descent Health Minority issues Racism SOGI Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the situation in prisons and other detention facilities/establishments in the United States of America in light of COVID-19 exposure-related risks.</p>
<p><b>Brazil</b> 31 December 2018</p>	<p>African descent Extrajudicial executions Foreign debt Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Human rights defenders Poverty Racism SOGI Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Follow-up to the communication on the murders of Ms. Marielle Franco and her driver.</p>

**Brazil**  
22 March 2018

African descent  
Extrajudicial executions  
Foreign debt  
Housing  
Human rights defenders  
Poverty  
Racism  
SOGI  
Violence against women  
Women in law and in practice

Killing of Marielle Franco and her driver on 14 March 2018. Franco was an Afro-Brazilian human rights defender working for the rights of women, people of African descent, LGBT people, young people in the favelas of Rio de Janeiro and socially excluded communities. She identified herself as a woman, as a feminist, as black, as favelada, as bisexual and as married to another woman.