

SUMMARY

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SUMMARY OF WORK

Countries Visited	
Where SOGIESC mentioned in the report	Where SOGIESC not mentioned in the report
Cyprus (March 2017), Report , para 31 Russian Federation (Apr 2012), Report , paras 36, 101-104, Austria (Apr 2011), Report , paras. 18, 38, 39 Brazil (Nov 2010), Report , para. 37	Botswana (Nov 2014) Viet Nam (Nov 2013) Bosnia & Herzegovina (May 2013) Saint Vincent & the Grenadines (Nov 2012) Morocco (Sep 2011)

Annual Thematic Reports	
July 2017 (72 nd session GA) “ The impact of fundamentalism and extremism on the cultural rights of women ”	References to violence by extremists and fundamentalists based on individuals’ sexual orientation; the targeting of lesbian women by conservative groups (paras. 9, 85, 86, 87, 90)
January 2017 (43 th session HRC) “ The impact of fundamentalism and extremism on the enjoyment of cultural rights ”	References to SOGIESC; the LGBTI community as targets of harassment by extremists; hate crime and hate speech against LGBTI persons (paras. 3, 23, 29, 40, 67, 83, 86, 87, 88, 89, 97 (k),
August 2016 (71 st session GA) “ Intentional destruction of cultural heritage ”	No reference to SOGIESC
February 2016 (31 st session HRC) “ Mapping of cultural right and preliminary views on destruction of cultural heritage as a violation of human rights ”	Brief reference to SOGIESC only, (paras. 19, 29, 90 (c))
August 2015 (70 th session GA) “ Patent policy and the right to science and culture ”	No reference to SOGIESC

December 2014 (28th session HRC) <i>"Copyright policy and the right to science and culture"</i>	No reference to SOGIESC
August 2014 (69 th session GA) <i>"The impact of commercial advertising and marketing practices on the enjoyment of cultural rights"</i>	No reference to SOGIESC
January 2014 (25th session HRC) <i>"Memorialization processes"</i>	No reference to SOCIESC
August 2013 (68 th session GA) <i>"The writing and teaching of history"</i>	No references to SOGIESC
March 2013 (23rd session HRC) <i>"The right to freedom of artistic expression and creativity"</i>	Brief reference to SOGIESC only (debates around artistic expressions and creations in relation to gender, sexuality and sexual orientation) (para. 50)
August 2012 (75 th session GA) <i>"The enjoyment of cultural rights be women on an equal basis with men."</i>	No reference to SOGIESC
June 2012 (20th session HRC) <i>"The right to enjoy the benefits of scientific progress and its applications"</i>	No reference to SOCIESC
March 2011 (17th session HRC) <i>"The right of access to and enjoyment of cultural heritage"</i>	No reference to SOCIESC

Individual Complaints

No LGBTI-related complaints for the period

¹ Although the mandate was established in 2009, this summary does not cover work reported before 2011.