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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 published between January 2011 and December 2021.



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SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF MIGRANTS

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WORK SUMMARY

COUNTRIES VISITED

ADRESSES SOGIESC ISSUES:

- Australia & Nauru (November 2016) Report, para. 40.
 - Italy (September 2012) Report, para. 83.
- **South Africa –** (January-February 2011) Report, para. 23c.

DOES NOT ADDRESS SOGIESC ISSUES:

- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- (September-October 2019)

- Niger (October 2018)
- Nepal (January 2018)
- Angola (May 2016)
- Greece (May 2016)
- Malta (December 2014)
- Italy (December 2014)
- Sri Lanka (May 2014)
- Greece (December 2013)
- Qatar (November 2013)
- Turkey (June 2012)

Tunisia (June 2012)

Albania (December 2011)

ANNUAL THEMATIC REPORTS

Impact of COVID-19 on the human rights of migrants

July 2021 (76th Session General Assembly (GA))

Brief reference to SOGI. Para. 15.

Means to address the human rights impact of pushbacks of migrants on land and at sea May 2021 (47th Session Human Rights Council (HRC))

Brief references to SOGI. Paras. 41, 49.

Ending immigration detention of children and providing adequate care and reception for them

July 2020 (75th Session GA)

Brief reference to LGBTI.

Para. 31.

Right to freedom of association of migrants and their defenders

May 2020 (44th Session HRC)

Brief reference to LGBTI. Para. 62.

Good practices and initiatives on genderresponsive migration legislation and policies July 2019 (74th Session GA)

Brief reference to LGBTI. SO. Paras. 13, 22, 33, 89, 110, 116.

The impact of migration on migrant women and girls: a gender perspective June 2019 (41st Session HRC)

Good reference to LGBTI, SO (Specific challenges faced by migrant women belonging to the LGBTI community). Paras. 14, 44, 69, 70, 71

Access to justice for migrant persons September 2018 (73rd Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Return and reintegration of migrants June 2018 (38th Session HRC)

Brief reference to SO. Para. 36.

2035 Agenda for facilitating human mobility July 2017 (72nd Session GA)

Brief reference to SO. Para. 39.

2035 Agenda for facilitating human mobility

Brief reference to SO.

No SOGIESC references. **Developing the Global Compact on Migration** August 2016 (71st Session GA) The impact of bilateral and multilateral trade Brief reference to SO. agreements on the human rights of migrants Para. 57. June 2016 (32nd Session HRC) Recruitment practices and the human rights No SOGIESC references. of migrants July 2015 (70th Session GA) No SOGIESC references. Banking on mobility over a generation: follow-up to the regional study on the management of the external borders of the European Union and its impact on the human rights of migrants June 2015 (29th session HRC) Human rights of migrants in the post-2015 No SOGIESC references. development agenda August 2014 (69th Session GA) Labour exploitation of migrants No SOGIESC references. June 2014 (26th Session HRC) Global migration governance No SOGIESC references. August 2013 (68th Session GA) No SOGIESC references. Regional study: management of the external borders of the European Union and its impact on the human rights of migrants June 2013 (23rd Session HRC) No SOGIESC references. Climate change and migration August 2012 (67th Session GA) No SOGIESC references. Detention of migrants in an irregular situation June 2012 (20th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

Recapitulation of main thematic issues (irregular migration and criminalization of migrants; protection of children in the migration process; the right to housing and health of migrants)

June 2011 (17th Session HRC)

COMMUNICATIONS

COUNTRY/DATE	EXPERTS	SITUATION
Other actors 21 October 2021	Terrorism Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Migrants Minority issues Privacy Racism	Information received regarding two pieces of pending European Union ("EU") legislation: the counterterrorism agenda entitled "A Counter-Terrorism Agenda for the EU: Anticipate, Prevent, Protect, Respond" () and the Proposal for Amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794 ().
United States of America 14 October 2021	Racism African descent Migrants	Information received concerning allegations of systematic forcible expulsion of Haitian migrants under authority granted by Title 42 of the U.S. Code (42 U.S.C. § 265).
Mexico 16 July 2021	Human rights defenders Freedom of assembly and association Migrants	Information received in relation to the measures taken by the Government to restrict the access of migrants by land to Mexican territory and the obstruction of the accompaniment work carried out by COMDHSE at the Rodolfo Robles border bridge. As well as the alleged acts of harassment perpetrated by federal authorities and various security and military forces against human rights defenders and migrants.

Peru 23 March 2021	Migrants International solidarity Torture	Information received in relation to alleged hot returns or "pushbacks" of migrants, in some cases violently, at Peru's borders, in the context of the increasing use of armed and military personnel in migration management at Peru's borders with Ecuador and Brazil; which has put migrants at risk, with serious implications for their ability to access safe asylum.
Colombia 20 November 2020	Women and girls Arbitrary detention Migrants SOGI Torture Violence against women	Information received regarding the situation of four trans women from Venezuela who were allegedly arbitrarily detained and beaten by police officers in the municipality of Maicao, Colombia.
Sri Lanka 27 May 2019	Arbitrary detention Cultural rights Health Housing Internally displaced persons Migrants Minority issues Racism Freedom of religion Terrorism	Information received concerning the increasing communal violence targeting the religious minorities in Sri Lanka, and in particular Muslims, as well as the reported acts of violence and intimidation threatening the living and security conditions of refugees and asylum seekers belonging to persecuted minorities.
Guatemala 22 March 2019	Food Housing International solidarity Migrants Racism Sale of children SOGI Trafficking in persons	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in caravan, in the direction of Mexico and the United States of America, and in particular with reference to a violent and xenophobic incident against migrants in Tecún Umán, as well as the need for the government to take active measures to protect the human rights of all migrants.
United States of America 7 March 2019	Migrants	Concerns regarding the Migrant Protection Protocols (MPP)
United States of America 20 November 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	Information received regarding threats from US authorities against the migrants travelling in caravans towards the United States.

Mexico 20 November 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in a caravan heading to the United States.
Honduras 20 November 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in a caravan heading to the United States.
Guatemala 20 November 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in a caravan heading to the United States.
Italy 19 October 2018	African descent Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression Migrants Minority issues Racism	Information received concerning the climate of hostility, intolerance, racial hatred and xenophobia in Italy, fuelled by political authorities' rhetoric against migrants and refugees, people of African descent or origin and Roma communities.
United States of America 12 October 2018	Arbitrary detention Business Disability Food Health Mercenaries Migrants Racism Freedom of religion Slavery Torture	Information received concerning the increased use of immigration detention and the human rights violations committed at the Stewart Immigration Detention Center and the Irwin County Immigration Detention Center, which are privately run by for-profit prison companies "CoreCivic Inc." and "LaSalle Southwest Corrections", respectively.

Kenya 21 September 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Migrants SOGI Torture Water	Allegations of acts of violence, harassment and discrimination against LGBT refugees living in Kenya, their arbitrary arrests, detention and ill-treatment, together with alleged lack of access to food and other basic necessities in Kakuma camp, and lack of appropriate access to HIV/AIDS-related prevention and care.
Other actors 21 September 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Migrants SOGI Torture Water	Allegations of acts of violence, harassment and discrimination against LGBT refugees living in Kenya, their arbitrary arrests, detention and ill-treatment, together with alleged lack of access to food and other basic necessities in Kakuma camp, and lack of appropriate access to HIV/AIDS-related prevention and care.
Hungary 10 September 2018	Education Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Human rights defenders International solidarity Migrants Racism	Information received concerning the recent adoption of a series of laws that introduce undue restrictions on the rights to freedom of association, peaceful assembly and freedom of expression in Hungary and risk to further fuel the already existing xenophobic and discriminatory public discourse on migration and negative narrative about civil society, in particular when its activities are related to migration issues.
Hungary 8 March 2018	Freedom of opinion and expression Human rights defenders International solidarity Migrants Racism	Information received concerning the package of draft legislation on organizations supporting migration that has been recently submitted to the Hungarian National Assembly, also known as the 'Stop Soros Legislative Package'.
Russian Federation 31 August 2017	Arbitrary detention Human rights defenders Migrants SOGI Torture	Alleged imminent deportation of Uzbek journalist and gay rights activist, Khudoberdi Turgunalievich Nurmatov (also known as Ali Feruz), from Russia to Uzbekistan.

United States of America 19 August 2011 Migrants Health Torture Violence against women Alleged torture and ill-treatment in immigration facilities of 16 gay and transgender individuals between May 2009 and July 2011, and reportedly lack of protection form persecution and respect for the principle of non-refoulement.