

The International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association – ILGA 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 2018.



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WORK SUMMARY

COUNTRIES VISITED

ADDRESSES SOGIESC ISSUES:

- **Brazil** – (September 2015) Report, para. 121.

DOES NOT ADDRESS SOGIESC ISSUES:

- Sri Lanka (October 2016)
- Moldova (June 2016)
- Iraq (February-March 2016)
- Bosnia (September 2015)
- Ukraine (April 2014)
- Nigeria (February 2014)
- Cameroon (September 2013)
- Bulgaria (July 2011)
- Rwanda (February 2011)

ANNUAL THEMATIC REPORTS

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| <p>Statelessness: a minority issue July 2018 (73rd Session General Assembly (GA))</p> | No SOGIESC references. |
| <p>Priorities and vision of the mandate March 2018 (37th Session Human Rights Council (HRC))</p> | No SOGIESC references. |
| <p>Reflections on the six-year tenure of the Special Rapporteur July 2017 (72nd Session GA)</p> | No SOGIESC references. |
| <p>Reflections on the six-year tenure of the Special Rapporteur March 2017 (34th session HRC)</p> | Brief reference to LGBT. Para. 67. |
| <p>Minorities in situations of humanitarian crises August 2016 (71st Session GA)</p> | No SOGIESC references. |
| <p>Minorities and discrimination based on caste and analogous systems of inherited status March 2016 (31st Session HRC)</p> | No SOGIESC references. |
| <p>Minorities in the criminal justice system July 2015 (70th Session GA)</p> | No SOGIESC references. |
| <p>The human rights situation of Roma worldwide, with a particular focus on the phenomenon of anti-Gypsyism June 2015 (29th session HRC)</p> | Brief reference to LGBTI. Para. 98. |
| <p>Hate speech and incitement to hatred against minorities in the media March 2015 (28th session HRC)</p> | Brief reference to homosexuals. Para. 35. |
| <p>Preventing and addressing violence and atrocities against minorities August 2014 (69th Session GA)</p> | Brief reference to homosexuals. Para. 4. |
| <p>Ensuring the inclusion of minority issues in post-2015 development agendas March 2014 (25th Session HRC)</p> | No SOGIESC references. |
| <p>Minority rights-based approaches to the protection and promotion of the rights of religious minorities August 2013 (68th Session GA)</p> | No SOGIESC references. |

Rights of linguistic minorities
March 2013 (22th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

Role and activities of national institutional mechanisms in promoting and protecting minority rights
August 2012 (67th Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Priorities for the work of the Independent Expert and the twentieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities
March 2012 (19th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

The role of minority rights protection in promoting stability and conflict prevention
March 2011 (16th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

INDIVIDUAL COMPLAINTS

No SOGIESC-related complaints from the period.
