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INVESTIGATION EFFECTIVENESS INDEX

Number of police officers — 11 019	Number of convicted — 1 101	
Number of penitentiary system employees — 214 women, 1 698 men	Number of persons under investigation — 1 256	
Law enforcement budget (police, prison service) — € 3 133 461	Detainees under administrative arrest — 2 296, including 100 women and 27 minors	
Of this, the actual costs total €30 615 766 (according to the Penitentiary Service of the Ministry of Justice); €161 591 938 (according to the Ministry of Finance)	Budget per prisoner — € 31	
STATE'S TORTURE R	ESPONSE MECHANISM	
Number of investigators	Information can be provided upon request	
Number of complaints alleging torture and ill-treatment	340 criminal cases instituted, of which 90 terminated and one taken to court	
Number of complaints of torture/ill-treatment from places of deprivation of liberty	202 (the penitentiary service did not keep separate records of complaints alleging torture/inhuman or degrading treatment. According to the Ministry of Interior, no reports have been filed alleging torture/inhuman or degrading treatment/violence against detainees at the hands of police officers)	
GOVERNMENT BODY INVESTIGA	ATING ALLEGATIONS OF TORTURE	
Whether there is a body authorized to investigate torture	There is no separate body	
Geographic coverage	Present only in major administrative units of the country	
Budget	There is a budget and the authority to form and spend it	
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Number of cases taken to court	1	
JUDICIA	AL REVIEW	
Provisions on inadmissibility of evidence obtained through torture	There are binding norms	
Number of statements made in court alleging torture during investigation	No data available	
Number of convictions for the use of torture	No data available	
RATIFICATION OF INTER	RNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS	
UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (1984)	Signed and ratified	
Optional Protocol to the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (2002)	Signed and ratified	
European Convention for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (1987)	Signed and ratified	
European Convention on Human Rights	Signed and ratified	
ANTI-TORTURE PROVISIONS IN DOMESTIC LAW		
Explicit legal prohibition of torture	Explicit prohibition in domestic law	
Criminal sanctions for torture	Clear and specific sanctions	
Implementation of the Istanbul Protocol in national legislation	The Istanbul Protocol standards are partially incorporated in national legislation	
Definition of torture consistent with the provisions of relevant conventions	Definition of torture is consistent with the provisions of relevant conventions	
AVAILABILITY OF PRO	CEDURAL GUARANTEES	
Documenting the actual detention start time	Documented starting from the moment of delivery to the police station	
Lawyer notification at the actual start time of detention/deprivation of liberty	After a while (up to 3 hours)	
Family notification	After a while (up to 3 hours)	
PREVENTIO	N OF TORTURE	
Independent external review mechanism	Independent and autonomous body	
Video surveillance	Some, but not all facilities are equipped	
Access to the archived video evidence	Protected and accessible to officials at places of detention	