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Prohibition of torture index			
INVESTIGATION EFFECTIVENESS INDEX			
Population — 9 200 617		Convicted — No current data	
Number of police officers — No data		Persons under investigation — No current data	
Number of penitentiary service employees — No data		Detainees under administrative arrest — No data	
Law enforcement budget (police, prison service): Ministry of Interior € 402 313 593,83; Penitentiary system’s agencies and organizations € 95 461 555; Investigative Committee € 65 427 245,11		Budget per prisoner — No data	
STATE'S TORTURE RESPONSE MECHANISM			
Number of investigators		No information available	
Number of complaints of torture and ill-treatment		No data available	
Number of complaints of torture and ill-treatment, including from places of detention		No data available	
GOVERNMENT BODY INVESTIGATING ALLEGATIONS OF TORTURE			
Whether there is a body authorized to investigate torture		Autonomous body directly accountable to the President	
Geographic coverage		The Investigative Committee has its offices in nearly all administrative units of the country, plus several inter-district departments	
Budget		Covers minimum essential costs	
Number of complaints alleging torture		No data available	
Number of criminal cases instituted		No data available	
Number of cases taken to court		No data available	
JUDICIAL REVIEW			
Provisions on inadmissibility of evidence obtained through torture		Totally disregarded	
Number of statements made in court alleging torture during the investigation		No data available	
Number of convictions for the use of torture		No data available	
RATIFICATION OF INTERNATIONAL 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)		Neither signed nor ratified	
European Convention for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (1987)		Neither signed nor ratified	
European Convention on Human Rights		Neither signed nor ratified	
ANTI-TORTURE PROVISIONS IN DOMESTIC LAW			
Explicit legal prohibition of torture		Totally disregarded	
Criminal sanctions for torture		Effectively absent, despite a legally established sanction	
Implementation of Istanbul Protocol in national legislation		The Istanbul Protocol standards are partly incorporated in national legislation	
Whether the definition of torture is consistent with the provisions of relevant conventions		Consistent with the provisions of relevant conventions	
AVAILABILITY OF PROCEDURAL GUARANTEES			
Documenting the actual detention start time		Retroactive (arrest reports are drawn up retroactively during the investigation)	
Lawyer notification at the actual arrest/detention start time		None or after 3 hours	
Family notification		None or after 3 hours	
Medical examination		None or after 3 hours	
PREVENTION OF TORTURE			
Independent external review mechanism		Fully dependent on the executive authorities and exercising minimal powers. Activity is limited to formalistic, one-off visits to selected facilities	
Video surveillance		Some but not all facilities are equipped	
Access to archived video evidence		Not protected, accessible to officials at places of detention	