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Recommendations by Canada

**Peru**

**Question**

In 2008, Canada recommended that Peru intensify efforts to act upon recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report. Could the delegation of Peru inform us on the status of the prosecution of outstanding human rights cases by the National Criminal Court?

**Recommendations**

Canada recommends that Peru:

1. Take measures to avoid human rights abuses by the armed forces and national police personnel duringconflicts, including by complying with international norms on the use of lethal force, ensuring that enforcement personnel receive relevant training, and by investigating acts of violence in a timely manner.

2. Take the necessary steps to ensure and safeguard the human rights of the civilian population living in areas where armed forces and national police personnel perform operations against illegal trafficking activities.

3. Enact legislation that addresses crimes based on sexual orientation to ensure that rights are protected and enforced.

**Observations**

We welcome the protective measures taken by Peru under its national plan to combat violence against women 2009 to 2015, which also covers lesbians who are victims of discrimination on account of their sexual orientation.

We welcome the recognition by Peru of the severe crisis of its national penitentiary system and we welcome measures taken by Peru to address prison overcrowding and to develop and implement a national policy on crime.

We stress the importance for the government to implement a comprehensive reform that will enable the modernization of the prison system, which would include alternative imprisonment schemes.