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Recommendations by Canada for Greece's UPR

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Canada recommends that Greece:

1. Ensure the most vulnerable asylum seekers and migrants -- such as women who are pregnant or with young children, unaccompanied minors, and persons with disabilities -- have access to basic services and safe, adequate living conditions, including by increasing shelter capacity.
2. Ensure that the legislative and policy response to increases in irregular migration is consistent with international human rights and refugee law, particularly the principle of non-refoulement.
3. Effectively investigate hate crimes and violent attacks against individuals from vulnerable and marginalized groups, including ethnic and religious minorities. Prosecute perpetrators.

Observations

Canada notes with satisfaction that Greece adopted legislation in December 2015 which legally recognizes same-sex civil partnerships, extending many of the rights of marriage to same-sex couples. We encourage Greece to continue taking steps towards extending full legal equality to LGBTI persons.