

**EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF SOCIAL RIGHTS**  
**COMITÉ EUROPÉEN DES DROITS SOCIAUX**

**SYNOPSIS OF THE 287<sup>TH</sup> SESSION**

**Date** 05/09/2016 – 09/09/2016

**Activity Type** Monitoring

**Location** Strasbourg, France

**Directorate (Service)** DGI Human Rights and Rule of Law (Department of the European Social Charter)

**Origin/DG Remarks** The European Committee of Social Rights is established by the European Social Charter. It is composed of 15 independent experts. It works on 2 specific objectives: treating collective complaints and examining national reports on the application of the European Social Charter with a view to rule on the conformity of national situations under the Charter.

**Objective(s)** - To examine:

- the draft conclusions as regards Armenia, Estonia, Greece, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia and Turkey, for Conclusions 2016,

Conclusions 2016 and XXI-1 (2016) relating to all States Parties will be adopted in December 2016

- the pending collective complaints;
- developments relating to the procedure on non-accepted provisions, including the draft first report on the provisions not accepted by Austria.

- To consider developments pertaining to the Turin process.

**Output** 1) The Sub-Committees examined the draft conclusions 2016 as regards Armenia, Estonia, Greece, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia and Turkey ;

2) The Rapporteurs in charge of the pending collective complaints informed the Committee of the progress of the proceedings and of the procedural decisions taken by the President since the previous session (Rules 27 and 28);

3) The Committee adopted :

- a decision on admissibility and merits in Finnish Society of Social Rights v. Finland, Complaint No. 106/2014;
- a decision on admissibility and merits in Finnish Society of Social Rights v. Finland, Complaint No. 107/2014.

4) The Committee adopted the first report on the non-accepted provisions in respect of Austria and was informed of the latest developments with respect to the procedure on non-accepted provisions.

5).The Committee took note of the information provided on the Turin process.

**Conclusions/Follow Up** The Committee instructed the Secretariat:

- to amend the draft conclusions in accordance with the instructions of the Committee and transform them into provisional conclusions;
- to notify the decisions regarding the collective complaints according to the usual procedure;
- to follow the collective complaints procedure with the Rapporteurs for the pending complaints;
- to finalise the report on non-accepted provisions in respect of Austria with a view to notifying it to the Austrian authorities as soon as possible;
- to remain in contact with the other States Parties concerned on the procedure on non-accepted provisions;

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