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Addendum to the Action Plan

S.Z./Kolevi v. Bulgaria

October 2019

This addendum provides additional information about the individual measures in the cases of *S.Z. v. Bulgaria* and *Kolevi v. Bulgaria*.

S.Z. v. Bulgaria

As regards the criminal proceedings against two of the perpetrators who had never been identified, the following must be noted. On 28 January 2019 a prosecutor from the Blagoevgrad District Prosecutor's Office terminated the criminal proceedings as time-barred. According to the prosecutor, the statute of limitations in the case at hand had expired. The prosecutor's order to terminate the proceedings was challenged before the court. The Blagoevgrad District Court quashed the order and sent the case back to the prosecutor. On 28 August 2019 the prosecutor terminated the proceedings. Upon the applicant's appeal, on 15 October 2019 the Blagoevgrad District Court upheld the order. The applicant could file an appeal against this decision.

Kolevi v. Bulgaria

The domestic criminal proceedings have been resumed in October 2018 and are currently pending. Ms Koleva, the wife of the late Mr Kolev, was interviewed. Mr F was also interviewed. Information has been sought from the police in respect to the ongoing attempts to identify the perpetrator.

The Committee of Ministers will be duly informed of any future developments.