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Annual Report 2010 on the execution of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

Strasbourg, 19.04.2011 – The Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe has today issued its fourth annual report on the supervision of the execution of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights.

2010 was marked by a series of important events for the European Convention on Human Rights, including the Interlaken High Level Conference on the future of the European Court of Human Rights and the entry into force of Protocol No. 14. The year also witnessed the highest number of new cases transmitted to the Committee of Ministers for execution supervision since it started its supervision function - 1 710 new cases. The number of closed cases nevertheless reached 455 (240 in 2009), and the total number of pending cases was 9 325 (7 880 in 2009) by the end of the year. The compensations awarded to the victims of violations in the new cases in 2010 reach almost 64 million euros (54 million in 2009).

In their introductory remarks to the report, the successive Chairs of the Committee of Ministers' special human rights meetings in 2010 highlighted the important efforts undertaken to address the high number of cases, both by the Court and by the Committee of Ministers. In light of these efforts and of ongoing reflection on the follow-up of the reform, they expressed great confidence in the future.

Taking stock of 2010, the Director general of human rights and legal affairs of the Council of Europe, Philippe Boillat, insisted on the importance of the new working methods adopted by the Committee of Ministers, in force since 1st January 2011. They should allow for a more effective and transparent supervision of execution and, also, for a more appropriate response to the persisting problem of clone and repetitive cases.

Drawing the conclusions from the significant and continuing increase in the number of cases under the Committee of Ministers' supervision, the Director general stressed the need to improve both the implementation of the Convention at national level and the execution process.

The report includes detailed statistics highlighting the main tendencies of the evolution of the execution process in 2010 and a thematic overview of the most important developments in the execution of the cases pending before the Committee of Ministers.

[Link to the fourth annual report \(2010\)](#)

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