

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

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Case Document No. 2

European Roma Rights Centre (ERRC) v. Czech Republic
Complaint No. 220/2022

**OBSERVATIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT
ON ADMISSIBILITY**

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PETR KONŮPKA

AGENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC
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Dear Mr Kristensen,

Following your letter dated 19 January 2023, in which you informed the Government of the Czech Republic that the above-mentioned collective complaint had been lodged with the European Committee of Social Rights, inviting them to submit observations on the admissibility of the collective complaint, I shall inform you that my Government leave the assessment of the admissibility of the collective complaint to the Committee's discretion.

Nevertheless, the Government note that it is yet to be determined whether and to what extent a right to pre-school education does fall under the scope of Article 16 of the European Social Charter. However, since the assessment of this objection *ratione materiae* relates to the substance of the complaint, such remarks will be raised in the Government's submission on the merits of the case.

Yours sincerely,

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