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**EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF SOCIAL RIGHTS**  
**COMITE EUROPEEN DES DROITS SOCIAUX**

**European Committee of Social Rights (ECSR), 316<sup>th</sup> session**

**SYNOPSIS**

**Date** 19/10/2020 – 23/10/2020

**Activity Type** Monitoring

**Location** Videoconference

**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 pending collective complaints;
  - To examine developments relating to the procedure on non-accepted provisions;
  - To examine draft conclusions based on national reports for Conclusions XXII-1 (2020) of the 1961 Charter and for Conclusions 2020 of the Revised Charter;
  - To examine draft findings based on simplified national reports on follow-up to decisions in complaints
  - To discuss the revised draft position paper on follow-up to the CDDH report
  - To discuss feedback from the first meeting of the Working Group on a statement on social rights and Covid-19
  - To decide on session dates for 2021

**Output** 1) The Committee adopted a decision on the admissibility in:

*Sindacato Autonomo Pensionati Or.S.A. v. Italy*  
Complaint No. 187/2019

*Sindacato Autonomo Europeo Scuola ed Ecologia (SAESE) v. Italy*  
Complaint No. 186/2019

The Committee adopted a decision on the merits in:

International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) v. Czech Republic  
Complaint No. 148/2017

European Organisation of Military Associations (EUROMIL) v.  
Ireland  
Complaint No.164/2018

- 2) The Rapporteurs for the pending collective complaints informed the Committee of the progress of the proceedings and the President informed about the procedural decisions taken since the previous session (Rules 27 and 28) as well as about new complaints registered;
- 3) The Sub-Committees examined draft conclusions as regards national reports for Conclusions XXII-1 (2020) of the 1961 Charter and for Conclusions 2020 of the Revised Charter;
- 4) The Committee examined draft findings as regards simplified reports on follow-up to decision in collective complaints in respect of Belgium and Italy;
- 5) The Committee considered the arrangements for the up-coming (2020) meetings in the framework of the procedure on non-accepted provisions.
- 6) The Committee adopted its position paper on follow-up to the CDDH report based on the discussions at the 315th session and the subsequent written submissions by members.
- 7) The Committee heard feedback from the first meeting of the Working Group on a statement on social rights and Covid-19 held on 9 October 2020 and provided preliminary comments.
- 8) The Committee agreed the session dates for 2021.

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

- to notify the decisions regarding collective complaints according to the usual procedure;
- to follow the collective complaints procedure with the Rapporteurs for the pending complaints;
- to amend the draft conclusions in accordance with the instructions of the Committee and transform them into provisional conclusions;
- to organise an additional meeting of Sub-Committee 2 on 16-17 November 2020
- to amend and finalise the draft findings examined;
- to proceed with the remaining written reports and possible meetings for the 2020 exercise on non-accepted provisions;

- to transmit the position paper on follow-up to the CDDH report to the Committee of Ministers in due course;
- to organise a second meeting of the Working Group on a statement on social rights and Covid-19 with a view to presenting a draft text to the Committee at the December session.

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